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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Yocom; Lauren J (GOV)
Cc: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV)
Subject: FW: Fish_and_Game

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2008 4:58 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fish_and_Game

Web mail from: Paul Barnes
address: PO Box 155 Gustavus AK 99826

MESSAGE:

March 12, 2008

The Honorable Governor Sarah Palin
Office of the Governor
P. O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Palin,

We are writing to ask you to urge the Senate and House Resources Committees to hold hearings on two important bills: House Bill 74 and Senate Bill 238. Both bills would close a dangerous loophole in existing statute that allows mixing zones, zones where regulations allow a body of water to exceed water quality standards, in spawning streams.

As commercial fishermen, we depend on Alaska's clean water to produce healthy catches of

salmon, halibut, and other fish. As a commercial fisherman, we work to protect fish habitat.

Fishing families depend on the purity of the Alaskan lakes, streams, and rivers. In 2005, salmon harvesting and seafood processing in Southeast Alaska alone supported 2,847 jobs (USDA, 2007). Commercial fishermen in the region earned \$92 million while seafood processors' payroll was \$38 million (McDowell Group, 2004). Alaska's clean water ensures the purity of our fish and enables it to command high prices in world markets.

The cities of Homer, Soldotna, Juneau, Wrangell, Port Alexander, Tenakee Springs, Pelican, and Yakutat, the Ketchikan Gateway Borough and the Kenai Peninsula Borough have all passed resolutions opposing mixing zones in spawning streams. Furthermore, numerous fishing organizations, including the Alaska Trollers Association, United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters, Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association, and United Fishermen of Alaska have passed resolutions or submitted comment letters against DEC's proposed regulations.

Protecting spawning streams is good for business. Please encourage the House and Senate Resources Committees to hear this bill.

Sincerely,

Paul Barnes

PO Box 155 Gustavus 99826

Commercial Fisherman

haikuaikido@gmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:46 AM
To: Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: School visits

Why'd they go there?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Mar 2008 10:38:22

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: School visits

Hello,

The books were distributed to the elem. schools in the Lower Kuskikwim (sp?) School District. We only have 3 books left. They will be in my office on top of the copy machine, unless you'd like me to send them else where.

I could look into purchasing/getting books if that's something you'd like to have on hand.

Thanks,

Erika

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Mon Mar 17 07:15:55 2008

Subject: School visits

Todd and Willow will be visiting classroom(s) on Wednesday, maybe one day before that

too. We'll look for bookmarks for them to hand out in the Anchorage office, and we'll need a load of those kid books from the mansion to be transported here so we have them to distribute outside of Juneau (that can wait until we can load them in the king air). Pls note on sched what they'll be doing for First Family event(s) this week. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 12:49 PM
To: 'cindysmi@acsalaska.net'
Subject: RE: Kasilof boat launch public process?

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net [mailto:cindysmi@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 12:40 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Kasilof boat launch public process?

March 17, 2008
State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Re: Lower Kasilof boat launch, FY2009 Governors Capital Budget Appropriation Department of Fish and Game
proposal #44823, in SB256 and HB311

Honorable Governor Palin:

I am writing to oppose the funding for the Lower Kasilof Boat Launch, which was vetoed last year

I have a few comments that I did not address in my last email to you, that I feel are very important.

I am aware that Fish and Game say they are going to evaluate two sites for this proposal, the Trujillo parcel and Foxhill Estate Subdivision. I cannot support the funding of this proposal because the Trujillo parcel is where Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc. targeted, while floating with Fish and Game, as their ideal boat launch, that will be used primarily for commercial guide drift boat interest, but in order to obtain the use of Federal money from the tackle tax, they need to create a motorized boat launch for public use. I am concerned that what is happening to the Kenai River with overuse of motorized boats and increased traffic, how can we let the same devastation happen to the Kasilof River?

I have lived in this neighborhood for 16 years and am very concerned at the detrimental impact this will have on us and the Kasilof River. The Trujillo landing has only been used primarily as a pullout for commercial guide boats, in a limited capacity with limited hours of operation. The river now has very limited motorized boat use with Fish and Game using a riverboat equipped with a jet drive and it disturbs the peace and quiet in my yard three blocks from the river. I feel that increased traffic on the river would be unsustainable and have detrimental impact to water quality, noise levels, and the overall peace that we now enjoy. Who will monitor this site? Currently we do not have enough personnel to fully monitor and police the fisheries we have.

10/23/2009

I feel this proposal is ill advised and without due process, there has been no public notification, concept design, or public concern for this highly controversial proposal. Where is the public process in this? Please do not fund this proposal and risk more damage to the Kasilof River and put an end to a very respectful and enjoyable neighborhood. I have written public testimony from this letter addressed to Kevin Meyer, to be presented for House Bill 311, if it passes from SB256. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
cindysmi@acsalaska.net
262-8432

10/23/2009

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:43 AM
To: tisterryak@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Budget

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2008 8:37 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Terry Snyder
address: Po Box 521595 Big Lake AK 99652
907-892-8049

MESSAGE:

While I applaud your efforts meeting with the House yesterday to compromise on the next couple years budget and end the unnecessary political games I am wondering why instead of offering a set amount to each house district you don't urge them to fund all the unfunded mandates the boroughs and cities face. This with a set amount given to the cities and borough would be a great start on sustainable revenue sharing. I live in the MSB the fastest growth area of the state and am uneasy with the computation that has so far been offered as a revenue sharing package. It appears to me that our borough will receive less than last year. What is your stand on funding the unfunded mandates? I am continually amazed and impressed with your efforts to go where no recent governor has gone in doing what is best for Alaska. This would be yet another great contribution your administration could make to all Alaskans!

This is one valley woman proud of the valley woman at the helm who continues to be the teacher on what can be.

Look forward to your response.

Terry Snyder

Big Lake

tisterryak@gmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:42 AM
To: cfjbmeng@aol.com
Subject: RE: Oil&Gas

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2008 9:50 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Oil&Gas

Web mail from: carl jones
address: 2964 brittany place anchorage AK 99504
907-646-922

MESSAGE:

How do we place a "..." to cover the Ill's of Alsaka. We have a boundless supply of energy, resources, people and initiative. What we lack is the stability of purpose to proceed wihtout thinking of our individual "wants" and consider "Alaska" needs.

For 10 years I have listened to the up and down comments, corruption, single mindedness of purpose, and pie in the sky thoughts and aspirations of elected officials. What has it gotten us? Nothing. We are no closer now to relaizing a stable economy outside of fish, tourists and a depleating supply of oil.

If I could tell legislatures one thing and one thing only, it would be simply, quit hashing and arguing about who gets the larger piece of pie. Because, soon the pie will no longer be there.

Thanks, and congratulations to you and your family .

Respectfully,

Carl

cfjbmeng@aol.com

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:31 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Campbell; Craig (MVA)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Larry wood

Thank you! I knew you'd be on it...

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Campbell, Craig (MVA)
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 10:29:13 2008
Subject: RE: Larry wood

Yesterday, after reviewing the letter to the editor, I requested details from Mark on his conversations with Larry as I was not at all aware that Larry had ongoing concerns. I had a follow-up conversation with both Mark and Colleen this morning regarding similar concerns you mentioned below. I am following up on this end and will talk with Commissioner Campbell.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:26 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Campbell, Craig (MVA)
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Larry wood

What is he talking about in his letter to editor in Frontiersman - and if this is the comment that Mark Kelsey suggested was coming publicly last week it is a shame it wasn't addressed before his letter was published. Pls find out what you can - I have no idea what he's talking about. Pls work with DMVA to deal with it and just let me know the solution and conclusion. Thanks. Please ask Colleen and Mark what happened on this valley constituent issue, too.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:26 AM
To: Crome; Cora J (GOV)
Subject: FW: Oppose HB311, proposal #44823

-----Original Message-----

From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net [mailto:cindysmi@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Saturday, March 15, 2008 11:06 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fw: Oppose HB311, proposal #44823

> March 15, 2008
>
> State of Alaska
> Governor Sarah Palin>
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> Re: Lower Kasilof boat launch, FY2009 Governors Capital Budget
> Appropriation Department of Fish and Game proposal #44823, included
> in
> HB311>
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> Honorable Governor Palin:
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> I am writing to oppose the funding for the Lower Kasilof Boat Launch
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> On March 13, a number of neighbors and myself did public testimony to
> the
> Senate Finance Committee to oppose funding of this project. We
> included a
> number of written testimonies from neighbors that could not attend,
> and

> also

> over a 100 signatures on a petition opposing this project, in a packet

> sent

> to the budget committee. We have also sent a packet of written

> testimony

> and

> our petitions to the Governor's office. This proposal is going

> through

> our

> district without being an open public process. To my knowledge, there

> has

> been no public notification, concept designs, or concern of the public

> addressed for this proposal to get appropriation of funds. Where is

> the

> public process in this? Attached are letters of concern and a signed

> petition of opposition to this proposal, from this neighborhood. We

> really

> need to hear from you acknowledging our concern on the process with

> which

> this proposal is being funded and pushed through.

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> I have lived in this neighborhood for 16 years and am very concerned

> at

> the

> detrimental impact this will have on us. The Trujillo landing has

> only

> been

> used as a pullout in a limited capacity with limited hours of operation.

> The river now has very limited motorized boat use with the Fish and

> Game

> using a riverboat equipped with a jet drive and it disturbs the peace

> and

> quiet in my yard three blocks from the river.

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> It is already noisy and disruptive with the racket from boat trailers

> going

> over rutted, pulverized roads, which will not sustain any more

> traffic. I

> ride my horse and walk my dogs daily, while dodging traffic from
> Trujillo's
> place.
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> Who will monitor this site? Currently we do not have enough personnel
> to
> fully monitor and police the fisheries we have. I am fully aware of
> what
> Kasilof beach looks like in the summer, with traffic, garbage, and
> people
> everywhere.
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> I feel this proposal is ill advised. I feel that increased traffic on
> the
> river would be unsustainable and have detrimental impact to water
> quality,
> noise levels, and the overall peace that we now enjoy. Please do not
> fund
> this bill and put an end to a very respectful and enjoyable
> neighborhood,
> for the pleasure of a few tourist and the Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc.
> Thank you for your time.
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> Sincerely,
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>
> Cynthia Smith
>
> cindysmi@acsalaska.net
> 907-262-8432
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:21 AM
To: vicroy@mtaonline.net
Subject: RE: Budget

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Saturday, March 15, 2008 3:03 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Ms. Arklee Wilson
address: HC-33 BOX 2984 Wasilla AK 99654
907 373-0261

MESSAGE:

Dear Govonor Palin:

I am upset over the gross spending habits of our legislature. They are spending like drunken sailors. Just because oil revenues are high doesn't mean we should spend it all. I think we need to consider the fact that some day the gravy train will end. We should decrease our budget by at least 25%. And consider putting in a new oil refinery, our god forbid the state might consider building the pipeline from the slop to Fairbanks ourselves, then lease it to the oil companys.

So pull in the spending and create somthing good from the over taxation of the oil companys.

Sincerely Arklee Wilson

vicroy@mtaonline.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Crome; Cora J (GOV)
Subject: FW: KAFC Kasilof River Boat Launch Concerns

From: dwimar@gcl.net [mailto:dwimar@gcl.net]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 8:06 AM
To: Mike Chenault
Cc: Seaton, Paul (LAA); Hilsinger, John R (DFG); Swanton, Charles O (DFG); Lloyd, Denby S (DFG); Wagoner, Tom (LAA); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: KAFC Kasilof River Boat Launch Concerns

Dear Rep. Chenault,

Please accept the attached advanced copy of a letter from Kenai Area Fisherman's Coalition regarding our concerns with the lack of public process in the development and planning of ADF&G's intentions to build a new boat ramp on the lower Kasilof River. We believe this project should have been proceeded with public hearings, comment opportunity and complete habitat assessments.

We understand that this project is included in this years budget, therefore we request that you consider our concerns and object to this proposal pending proper public review.

Thank you for consideration in this matter.

Dwight Kramer
KAFC Chairman

10/23/2009

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:15 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Saturday, March 15, 2008 8:23 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Robert Lee
address: 2809 west 29th avenue Anchorage AK 99517
907-248-2769

MESSAGE:

Are you sure you want to trust a guy that will owe more to foreign campaign contributors than to the electorate? McCain is raising money in London and Paris as I write. I think you are making a very big political error, but then again I'm one of those know nothing Democrats.

relee42@hotmail.com

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:04 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sched

Very par for the course that we can't just get that done. Janice tries to keep up, but it takes numerous reminders to note changes and many times it's just never completed on the Juneau end - especially weekends and evenings. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 10:00:45 2008
Subject: RE: Sched

I'm sure Janice will get back to you, but she is the only person that has access to change. I don't, but would like to so that I can help you with this more. Also, I had previously asked - per your request - that you have access and I'll have to find out what happened with that.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 9:58 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Sched

Janice - instead of me bugging you throughout weekends and evenings to add to my officially posted schedule, who else has access to amending that calendar and can assist? I am fine w doing it myself if someone will show me how. We're missing things on the sched due to my lack of time to note and follow up on changes, due to our continual problems with emails being received, etc. Thank you

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 9:52 AM
To: lisa55000@earthlink.net
Subject: RE: Budget

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, March 16, 2008 2:28 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Ms. Lisa Carroway
address: 3027 Riverview Drive Fairbanks AK 99709
(907) 374-4801

MESSAGE:

Hon. Palin. I am thrilled that you are providing a new clear voice of reason for our State. Forgive my brainstorming here but I have a lot of spare time on my hands lately. I think some of the budget surplus should be utilized to develop programs in the following areas:

- Environmental Protections standards (EPA). Since we will no doubt continue mining operations and expand oil exploration in some form or another, we need appropriate legal safeguards written into our state law to mitigate the environmental damage that will occur. Research environmental cleanup and develop an enforcement mechanism.

- We need a branch of the American Medical Association to come to Alaska and establish standards for Alaska's medical practices. Currently, patients have no way to enforce their rights against malpractice or quackery. Alaska needs to establish better standards of practice outside of a doctor's basic business license requirement to operate on our State.

- Better graduate programs- most obviously:

- A law school in Alaska (a) to train future legislators to write better law (b) to set rational precedent in order to create sensible common law in Alaska to guide litigants (e.g. we have a lot of sexual harassment suits and divorce but very few "good faith and fair dealing" questions litigated for the establishment of fair business practices. In addition, we have a lot of criminal prosecution for minor offenses involving traffic infractions but fewer meaningful criminal prosecutions are brought against the most violent of criminals. And why are we still permitting domestic violence to go unpunished?

- A medical school to provide a more affordable avenue to train local students for local medical practice rather than relying on our current system of kids in the UW medical school rotation to provide Alaska with doctors.

- Elder care facilities- disband the current charities that do not deliver service to the elderly and put some state surplus money back into expanding the Pioneer Home program, increasing its staffing ratio, and developing new elder care facilities. We have an elder care crisis in Alaska that can no longer be ignored.

- Child care facilities. Put some funding surplus money back into child care. Recent news stories evidence the urgency for child care programs.

- Care for disabled. Put funding surplus money back into facilities to help the severely disabled live a more comfortable life. Various municipalities throughout Alaska need help to reopen facilities that were closed in recent years.

- Safe and sanitary plumbing should be brought to rural communities. This really should have been done a long time ago.

- Prosecute grant fraud for charities who fail to deliver service. There are many organizations fronting as charities to obtain grant money, bank their profits, and not fulfill the purpose of the charitable organization stated in their federal tax nonprofit paperwork or Alaska license paperwork. The State of Alaska should begin rejecting these grant proposals and perhaps private enterprise can develop which will answer some of the business needs in our communities through the establishment of new small businesses. The State grant funds that are being wasted on nonperforming "charities" should be redirected into improving the other basic programs listed above.

Thanks for letting me share my thoughts with you.

lisa55000@earthlink.net

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 8:20 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Flt

Great- I'm on my way

----- Original Message -----

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com' <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Mon Mar 17 08:18:08 2008
Subject: Re: Flt

Governor - Your flt. leaves Anc at 11:38 a.m. today. You are in seat 27D - same confirmation code. You will board at approx. 11:00 a.m. Flt. 67 - Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com' <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Mon Mar 17 08:02:33 2008
Subject: Re: Flt

All righty- let me know if there's any other possibility. Ive been on the websitre this am also, sold out, but wonder if they're holding a seat or two.

----- Original Message -----

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com' <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Sent: Mon Mar 17 08:01:15 2008

Subject: Re: Flt

I have checked directly with the airlines and that mid-morning flt is completely sold out. I am checking one more avenue and will know shortly. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com' <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Sent: Mon Mar 17 07:18:11 2008

Subject: Flt

Any idea if Ak Air has a seat available on the 11-ish flt today, instead of me waiting for the late flt I'd better get to Juneau sooner. If you could look, that'd be great. Thanks (I already let janice know to try finding a seat, but most time security has that automatic "they're full" reply)

Unknown

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 8:04 AM
To: 'govpalin@alaska.gov'
Subject: Re: Flt

That is what is being ckd. on right now - Janice

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com' <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); 'ftb907

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:58 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Fw: BB & supplemental

Importance: High

Pls see below, it's the message we really need the public to hear and grasp:

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 17 Mar 2008 15:56:32

To: "Sean personal2" <Privileged or Personal >

Subject: Re: BB & supplemental

Absolutely. That's the message we need the public to hear and understand. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Sean personal2

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Mar 17, 2008 7:52 AM

Subject: BB & supplemental

Great!!!

On the article today re the supplemental- Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

Sean

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:44 AM

To: Sean personal2

I'm getting my personal blackberry today in Juneau, is the plan. Frank's looking into it.

Sent from my BlackBerryR device from Cellular One

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 8:00 AM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: Exxon Valdez trustee meeting.

Thank you

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Mar 2008 07:54:47

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Exxon Valdez trustee meeting.

Dear Governor Palin,

Thank-you. We (the Exxon Valdez Trustees) are meeting again today for formal decisions. The decisions we make on property purchases will be based on a lot of factors and can only occur if all six trustees are in agreement. There should be nothing particularly controversial.

Talis

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Sunday, March 16, 2008 5:14 PM

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Right on. Thank you. I'd think some press in southcentral AK will want to know more about what happened there too. If they ask, we'll have a good answer after working together on a reply before publicly stating how we feel about this. Thanks.

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We are trying to amend the contracts, and you'll see the kind of pressure the unions will attempt here in the next few weeks.

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Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:18 AM
To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'
Subject: Flt

Any idea if Ak Air has a seat available on the 11-ish flt today, instead of me waiting for the late flt I'd better get to Juneau sooner. If you could look, that'd be great. Thanks (I already let janice know to try finding a seat, but most time security has that automatic "they're full" reply)

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Subject: School visits

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Subject: Re: Comm

They'll still need a head honcho in Comm.

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Date: Mon, 17 Mar 2008 07:06:56

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Comm

I heard on Friday in staff mtg that Kate is coming over at the end of the month.

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Mon Mar 17 06:51:56 2008

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Governor & Mike:

I didn't want to send this to everyone else... Part of the problem is the DOT/PF needing to FOLLOW THE CONTRACT. I have Nancy Sutch dogging them whenever I hear about a ferry system disruption, but sometimes they move forward without consulting us and we end up in this kind of situation. Hopefully, we are pulling in the same direction now.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 6:04 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Todd
Subject: Re: NGA summer

Yes, I see them in cal, but as specific as nga can make possible will help. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Sun, 16 Mar 2008 22:59:30

To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: NGA summer

These dates are listed on your calendar. I believe it is in July but we will work on in the a.m. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Sun Mar 16 22:02:33 2008

Subject: Re: NGA summer

Will do w/Janice.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Sun Mar 16 21:59:23 2008

Subject: NGA summer

Pls let me know when NGA confirms summer mtg dates. I'm going to try again this year with getting the kids there for First Family events- it didn't work last yr so we'll need as much advance notice as possible to secure good airfares and availabilities. We'll probably use mileage for the kids' tickets if Alaska doesn't fund First Family travel for NGA annual mtg. This necessitates even earlier reservations.

Pls let me know dates and airports in the vicinity. Driving from a less-expensive airport arrival into Penn may be necessary... everything's going to depend on family ticket prices. Thanks

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Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:56 AM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Exxon trustees

Dear Governor Palin, By the way I forwarded your email on how to proceed with trustee votes to both Denby and Larry. Talis

8/28/2009

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 2:02 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; fek9wnr@yahoo.com; Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: FW: Cell phone reimbursement

Here's the latest with personal cell phone reimbursement. In sum, it's as I thought-- questions of confidentiality are still unanswered by Law. Kim Garnero (Finance director) thinks that personal emails on a personal device would be confidential and not subject to subpoena, however the question is still unanswered by Law.

I'm just getting to the office and will follow up with Kim on a timeframe of when we'll hear back with a legal opinion. I'll also ask if personal emails have always been routed through the state server.

-----Original Message-----

From: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 1:57 PM
To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA); Swanson, Eric W (DOA)
Subject: RE: Cell phone reimbursement

I believe that's true, although I don't know for sure. Eric, have you signed any for Admin?

Kim

-----Original Message-----

From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 1:48 PM
To: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
Subject: Re: Cell phone reimbursement

Are state employees currently signing up for reimbursement without the opinion from law?

----- Original Message -----

From: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 13:33:16 2008

Subject: RE: Cell phone reimbursement

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 1:29 PM
To: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
Subject: Re: Cell phone reimbursement

When do you expect to hear back from law?

----- Original Message -----

From: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 11:39:37 2008
Subject: RE: Cell phone reimbursement

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Kim

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Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:16 AM
To: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)
Subject: Re: Cell phone reimbursement

Well that's understandable that state business could be subpoenaed off a personal device, but personal emails on a personal device are confidential? What type of situation would constitute subpoena of personal emails? I'm really just trying to weigh the benefits of a personal vs state device.

----- Original Message -----

From: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)

To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

Sent: Mon Mar 17 11:06:00 2008

Subject: RE: Cell phone reimbursement

We are also waiting on Dept. of Law for confidentiality issues, but I can tell you that using a personal device results in much less probability of audit or ding by the state. It's a strong motivator to move to the personal device with allowance status.

That said, if you have state business on a personal device, it is possible that information could be subpoena'd or accessed through other "public access to information" avenues. This would be specific to a topic, not just the work of an individual.

Does this answer the question?

Kim

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:56 AM

To: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)

Subject: Re: Cell phone reimbursement

Thanks, Kim. I have your original email. My question is if we have a personal blackberry that we route our state email to, and also receive reimbursement from the state each month, and sign the reimbursement contract w the state, can our phone and email records be audited or can we as state employees be dinged in any way for having our personal and state emails route to the same device. I would gladly buy my own blackberry if it and its contents were truly mine. Any thoughts here?

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From: Garnero, Kim J (DOA)

To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

Sent: Mon Mar 17 10:39:46 2008

Subject: RE: Cell phone reimbursement

Hi Ivy,

The monthly allowance amounts for personal devices are now available. I sent out an email with the form and FAQs on March 7th. I'll forward to you.

Allowance is \$40 per month for cell and \$75 for Blackberry.

Not waiting for Law on this one. All we need is a form signed by supervisor and employee that the device is needed and that employee has opted to provide.

Waiting for Law to opine on the ethics issues regarding personal use of business assets.

After you see the next email, let me know if you have any other questions.

Kim

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Thanks,

Ivy

----- Original Message -----

From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 09:37:55 2008
Subject: Cell phone reimbursement

Commissioner,

Are the reimbursements available yet for personal cell phones? How much is the monthly reimbursement? Also, have we gotten an opinion from law on the reimbursement contract state employees must turn in to receive the reimbursement?

Unknown

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 3:32 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Veto

You can veto the just the \$70 million in projects. In appropriation bills, you can reduce or eliminate anything from one item to everything in the bill.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 3:27 PM
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Veto

Can just the \$70mil cap projects be vetoed out of supplemental- or is it the whole ball of wax?

Unknown

From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 9:01 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Rep. Lynn's HB 287 - Divest from companies doing business in Sudan

Governor:

At your request, I reviewed HB 287. The bill would place a number of new obligations on the Alaska Permanent Fund, including divesting from companies that do business with Sudan. (The Sudanese government is accused of sponsoring genocide against civilians in Darfur) The bill's prime sponsors are Rep. Lynn and Rep. Gara.

The bill has been heard once this session in House State Affairs. Mike Burns of the Permanent Fund testified against the bill ("we do not believe that investment decisions made for social or political reasons are in the best interest of the permanent fund.") The permanent fund also produced a fiscal note estimating costs at nearly \$11 million for FY 2009, and about \$8 million a year for every year thereafter. The permanent fund attributes most of these costs to fund managers raising their rates for having to change how they handle their portfolios.

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Randy

8/24/2009

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:49 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: School visits

Sorry, I just noticed that I didn't send 'reply to all'.

They were shipped out sometime in January. Thanks!

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV); Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 11:19:58 2008
Subject: Re: School visits

Ask Todd if he needs them shipped or can wait until I bring them- for free- on thursday. I did not know we didn't have that bookcase full of the many more.

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Subject: School visits

Todd and Willow will be visiting classroom(s) on Wednesday, maybe one day before that too. We'll look for bookmarks for them to hand out in the Anchorage office, and we'll need a load of those kid books from the mansion to be transported here so we have them to distribute outside of Juneau (that can wait until we can load them in the king air). Pls note on sched what they'll be doing for First Family event(s) this week.

Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:06 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Sched

It only makes sense too when you're in Anchorage that I have access to input (you too). Otherwise it just creates extra work and steps for others.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:04 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sched

Very par for the course that we can't just get that done. Janice tries to keep up, but it takes numerous reminders to note changes and many times it's just never completed on the Juneau end - especially weekends and evenings. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Mon Mar 17 10:00:45 2008
Subject: RE: Sched

I'm sure Janice will get back to you, but she is the only person that has access to change. I don't, but would like to so that I can help you with this more. Also, I had previously asked - per your request - that you have access and I'll have to find out what happened with that.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 9:58 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Sched

Janice - instead of me bugging you throughout weekends and evenings to add to my officially posted schedule, who else has access to amending that calendar and can assist?

I am fine w doing it myself if someone will show me how. We're missing things on the sched due to my lack of time to note and follow up on changes, due to our continual problems with emails being received, etc. Thank you

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 10:01 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Sched

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Subject: Sched

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVERNOR]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:11 AM
To: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Wilken, Jessica M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2008 4:17 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Charles Vargo
address: PO BOX 72273 FBNKS AK 99707

MESSAGE:

I have a couple of questions/comments. 1. The earmark items for both state and us gov. I agree with you. If I ran my buget like the us gov and Alaska delegates want to, I'd be put in jail. I hope you stand your ground and VETO those earmark items that are a waste of our money and tell Stevens its time to get with the program. I'm tired of his wastefull spending. If you need some help, give me a call. Also about the gas/oil prices. Why can't you/us/alaskans put a limit on what the state will allow the oil companies to sell gas and fuel oil for in Alaska. Why open up our preserves to them, they are only going to gouge us more in the end. I know we don't need more laws but I think these companies have taken way to much advantage of the Alaskan people/ USA in general. Can't we set a presidence on limiting there price/profit/ in alaska. Why give them more oil, that's not going to bring the price at the pump down or my fue oil bill. I know you can play hard ball so lets play. No matt

er what happens you and your workers are doing an excellent job, Thanks Charlie

vcvargo@gci.net

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From: Bob Bell [bbell@frbcmh.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:49 AM
To: 'John Sodrel'; 'Eddie'
Cc: Tibbles; Kristy R (DFG); DFG; DWC Wolf Comments (DFG sponsored); Taylor; Kenton P (DFG); DFG; Commissioner (DFG sponsored); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Soukup; Jerry L (DFG); Larsen; Douglas N (DFG); Clarke; Ronald G (DFG); Titus; Kimberly (DFG); Hilderbrand; Grant (DFG); DeFrate; Gino (DFG); DFG; DWC Public Information Region 3 (DFG sponsored); James; David D (DFG); Nowlin; Roy A (DFG); Becker; Earl F (DFG); mark.mcnay@alaska.gov; cfleener@catg.org; cjudkins@mtaonline.net; tspraker@fishgame.state.ak.us; ted.spraker@alaska.gov; cliff.judkins@alaska.gov; ben.grussendorf@alaska.gov; richard.burley@alaska.gov; Fleener; Craig L (DFG); bob.bell@alaska.gov; lewis.bradley@alaska.gov; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); aoc@alaska.net; aocpac@msn.com; hunterheritagefoundationak@msn.com; info@protectmoose.com; office@alaskaprohunter.org; jklutsch@bristolbay.com; kelly@vrem.com; rfithian@alaskaprohunter.org; akpen@aol.com; nwebster@gci.net; alaskanate@excite.com; theperrins@rainypasslodge.net; mlitzen@kenai.net; hunting@akmountainsafaris.com; wildsue@aptalaska.net; info@kenaisci.org; Lewis; Larry L (DFG); markburdick@hotmail.com; fishart@alaska.com; creditcardmike@yahoo.com; admin@aksafariclub.org; president@aksafariclub.org; akhunter@hot-shot.com; vicepresident@aksafariclub.org; treasurer@aksafariclub.org; bwanamike@ak.net; Parnell; Sean R (GOV)

Subject: RE: Thank you!

John: Once again thank you for your kind and well thought out comments on our game management practices. I am sure they will be discussed at our next meeting. I would never use the descriptive titles you assign yourself in this email, but hey, if the shoe fits! I do disagree with you that those descriptions fit most Americans. Just a select few who claim them for themselves such as you have. By the way, John, I have heard that the federal government has a predator control program in your state where they shoot coyotes from airplanes and also have a poison program for coyotes. I hope you are not too busy helping us to look into what is happening in your back yard. If you need any advice let us know. Yours truly. Bob

From: John Sodrel [mailto:jesodrel@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:56 AM
To: Eddie
Cc: kristy_tibbles@fishgame.state.ak.us; dfg.dwc.wolfcomments@alaska.gov; kenton.taylor@alaska.gov; dfg.commissioner@alaska.gov; denby.lloyd@alaska.gov; jerry.soukup@alaska.gov; doug.larsen@alaska.gov; ron.clarke@alaska.gov; kim.titus@alaska.gov; grant.hilderbrand@alaska.gov; gino.delfrate@alaska.gov; dfg.dwc.pubinfor3@alaska.gov; david.james@alaska.gov; roy.nowlin@alaska.gov; earl.becker@alaska.gov; mark.mcnay@alaska.gov; bbell@frbcmh.com; cfleener@catg.org; cjudkins@mtaonline.net; tspraker@fishgame.state.ak.us; ted.spraker@alaska.gov; cliff.judkins@alaska.gov; ben.grussendorf@alaska.gov; richard.burley@alaska.gov; craig.fleener@alaska.gov; bob.bell@alaska.gov; lewis.bradley@alaska.gov; governor@gov.state.ak.us; sarah.palin@alaska.gov; aoc@alaska.net; aocpac@msn.com; hunterheritagefoundationak@msn.com; info@protectmoose.com; office@alaskaprohunter.org; jklutsch@bristolbay.com; kelly@vrem.com; rfithian@alaskaprohunter.org; akpen@aol.com; nwebster@gci.net; alaskanate@excite.com; theperrins@rainypasslodge.net; mlitzen@kenai.net; hunting@akmountainsafaris.com; wildsue@aptalaska.net; info@kenaisci.org; larry_lewis@fishgame.state.ak.us; markburdick@hotmail.com; fishart@alaska.com; creditcardmike@yahoo.com; admin@aksafariclub.org; president@aksafariclub.org; akhunter@hot-shot.com; vicepresident@aksafariclub.org; treasurer@aksafariclub.org; bwanamike@ak.net; sean.parnell@alaska.gov
Subject: RE: Thank you!

--> If not wanting other sentient beings such as wolves and bears to be slaughtered barbarically from the air makes me a "zealot" or "lunatic" or "tyrant," then I'm proud to be one, as are the vast majority of other people in this great country!

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--> Allowing the massacring of wolves and bears from planes because a handful of people get their jollies from it but against the wishes of a majority of Alaskans, who have voted twice to ban the practice, is the "real world" or "logical" or "reasonable"?!

--> You call gunning down helpless animals from planes part of the "natural world," a "predatory skill," "managing and competing," something that has gone on "since time immemorial," and, most ludicrously, "hunting"?! Even most true hunters don't believe any of that bullshit! You're an even more despicable excuse for a human being than I thought.

--> Inhumane slaughtering wolves and bears from the air, or from anywhere, is part of the "natural world and God's plan" and opposing/denouncing it makes me a "hedonist non-believer"?! What fucking "church" do you go to or phony Bible do you read? Any doubt that you'll someday be rotting in Hell is now gone!

--> Sanctioning and/or participating in the barbaric, uncivilized, inhumane, cruel, evil, needless massacring of other sentient beings, especially from planes, is "good work"?! Fuck you!

My sincere dream is that every plane involved in this abominable endeavor crashes and burns, except for one that would be predatorily "managing" and "hunting" you! :)

Your "idiot antagonist",
John Sodrel

Eddie <mtnman@mtaonline.net> wrote:
Bob,

You should know by now that the zealots from America (Remember that place? Used to be known as the home of the brave and the land of the free) have become completely dis-connected from the real world. There isn't any logic a reasonable person can effect to debate such lunacy. Bottom line, John and his type are tyrants engulfed in their own self-righteousness.

As a native born Alaskan, and more importantly a native born predator from planet earth (I have no idea where aliens such as Sodrel come from) I completely support the 100,000 plus years of hunting traditions inherited by me from my ancestors. That includes embracing the reality that my predatory skills derive from cognitive ability, not fangs and claws, and the concept that managing and competing for prey species is something that has gone on in the natural world (something Sodrel obviously knows nothing about) since time immemorial.

If anyone in this discussion is going to hell, it is your antagonists who continue to hold close to the belief that they are somehow apart from the natural world and God's plan. Their's is the way of the hedonist non-believers who in their arrogance believe they can erect heaven here on earth. As for me, I will continue being the natural born predator God created me to be, so keep up the good work.

Eddie

P.S. as in your case I am sure this idiot will respond to my comments. My advice to you and everyone else is don't waste your time paying any further attention to this kind of nonsense.

From: John Sodrel [<mailto:jesodrel@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 8:05 PM
To: Bob Bell; kristy_tibbles@fishgame.state.ak.us; dfg.dwc.wolfcomments@alaska.gov; kenton.taylor@alaska.gov; dfg.commissioner@alaska.gov; denby.lloyd@alaska.gov; jerry.soukup@alaska.gov; doug.larsen@alaska.gov; ron.clarke@alaska.gov; kim.titus@alaska.gov; grant.hilderbrand@alaska.gov; gino.delfrate@alaska.gov; dfg.dwc.pubinfor3@alaska.gov; david.james@alaska.gov; roy.nowlin@alaska.gov;

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treasurer@aksafariclub.org; bwanamike@ak.net

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Bob (et al.),

- a) You have no right to "manage" (i.e., massacre) wildlife, nor does anyone else.
- b) Chasing down animals with planes and shooting them with shotguns is *humane*??
- c) Wolves and bears killing moose and caribou is called nature, you dumbass.
- d) "Helpless" and "innocent" refers to you slaughtering them, not to their natural survival and hunting skills.
- e) I have no problem with people eating moose and caribou, so your whole infantile "Safeway" comparison is irrelevant and a crock of shit.
- f) The issue isn't people killing moose and caribou for food. The issue is some Alaskans barbarically slaughtering wolves (and bears) and lying about the reason why!
- g) You and your immoral, asshole buddies are doing all this in direct violation of federal law and against the wishes of a majority of principled citizens in your state.

So, go fuck yourself and have fun rotting in Hell!!

Warmly,
John Sodrel
New Albany, IN

Bob Bell <bbell@frbcmh.com> wrote:

John: Thank you for your pleasant and insightful email in regard to our management of wildlife in Alaska. With informed citizens such as yourself I am sure all of the wild critters in your state are carefully and humanely managed. In case you are not aware 80% of the prey species in Alaska that die each year are killed by the helpless and innocent bears and wolves you refer to in your email. I suspect our moose and caribou don't see them in the same light as you do, but then I am sure you are much more informed than they. As far as you visiting our state, I would have to discourage you from doing that as there are a number of vile, despicable and loathsome people here who do eat moose and caribou because they don't have a Safeway to buy meat from or have a slaughterhouse to do their killing for them. I am sure you have both so you can be a person of conscience and be nobler than these poor wretches. By the way, these vile people harvest about 5% of the animals each year. In regard to your wish for the disposition of our souls I hope you are mistaken, but if not I am sure I will see you there. Sincerely Bob

From: John Sodrel [<mailto:jesodrel@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 1:55 PM

To: kristy_tibbles@fishgame.state.ak.us; dfg.dwc.wolfcomments@alaska.gov; kenton.taylor@alaska.gov;
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markburdick@hotmail.com; fishart@alaska.com; creditcardmike@yahoo.com; admin@aksafariclub.org;
president@aksafariclub.org; akhunter@hot-shot.com; vicepresident@aksafariclub.org; mtnman@mtaonline.net;
treasurer@aksafariclub.org; bwanamike@ak.net
Subject: Thank you!

Dear Alaskan wildlife officials,

Just wanted to thank you for making my decision, and that of everyone I know, an easy one to never set foot in your state or knowingly support anything that has to do with Alaska. Your continued slaughtering of wolves from the air and otherwise, and decision to do the same to bears, is reprehensible in the extreme and will not be tolerated by people of conscience!

I don't give a damn about your bogus, unfounded rationale of increasing ungulate populations for subsistence--read trophy and sport--hunting, only a vile, despicable, loathsome human being could approve of and/or participate in such a barbaric, inhumane endeavor. What the hell gives you the right to arbitrarily massacre other sentient beings to euphemistically "manage" them?!

Unfortunately we don't live in a perfect world, but if we did anyone involved in and/or supportive of these decisions would suffer the same fate as what is being cruelly inflicted on helpless, innocent wolves and bears. Although I'm not a religious person, I take great comfort in knowing that all of you will one day be burning in Hell for your evil actions!

Scornfully,
John Sodrel
New Albany, IN

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From: mattgill@gci.net on behalf of Matt Gill [mattgill@gci.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:26 AM

To: Bishop; Clark C (DOL); Notti; Emil R (CED); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Bales; Johanna D (DOR); Scavera; Paula D (DOL); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Hooley; Jason M (GOV); Davis; Mark R (CED); Robinson; Daniel C (DOL)

Subject: Alaska State Home Building Association Reception Wednesday 18th at the Hanger

The members of ASHBA would be honored by your attendance.



if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Matt Gill

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:18 AM
To: neil wetherington
Subject: RE: Plz consider these words...

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: neil wetherington [mailto:montanakidhammer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 4:38 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Miller, Derek (LAA); Rep. John Harris; John Coghill; David Guttenberg; Kawasaki, Scott Jw (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Jay Ramras; Stevens, Gary L (LAA)
Subject: Plz consider these words...

Dear Governor, Lt. Governor, Senators and Congress member;

I'm writing to ask for your support to we the shooting training program. I'm not only echoing Mr. Kruger's words, but I am a NRA Certified Instructor for nigh on 20 years and have a long list of students needing a range to receive their proper firearm training. Please consider these words:

From: bronko77@hotmail.com
Subject: Shooting Range Closure
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 2008 14:46:41 -0800

Hello Everybody!!

This is not an AK FNRA update.
I am writing you today as an NRA member.

Recently the Senate Finance Committee decided to pull the funding for the 3 Hunter Education Shooting Ranges we have in the State. Fairbanks, Juneau and Rabbit Creek. Without funding these three ranges will have to close their doors essentially CRIPPLING the shooting sports here in Alaska.

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I am writing you today asking that you contact the Senators on the Senate Finance Committee to urge them to pass an amendment to the budget bill to include funding for our three Hunter Education Ranges. Below are the contact email addresses for the Senators on the Senate Finance Committee.

Senator Joe Thomas@legis.state.ak.us ; Senator Charlie Huggins@legis.state.ak.us ;
Senator Fred Dyson@legis.state.ak.us ; Senator Kim Elton@legis.state.ak.us
Senator Bert Stedman@legis.state.ak.us; Senator Lyman Hoffman@legis.state.ak.us;
Senator Donald Olson@legis.state.ak.us;

Time is of the essence on this issue. So if you could please contact them as soon as possible.

If anything we need more ranges in Alaska not less.

Thanks for your help on this issue.

Sincerely,
Brad Kruger
AK NRA Field Rep
907-299-0784

Thanks,

Neil Wetherington,

Montana Kid Hammer, 

Name me a War that Cowboys ever Lost!

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:06 AM
To: 'ucida@acsalaska.net'
Subject: RE: oppose proposal #44823 in HB 311

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: Audrey [mailto:ucida@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:57 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: oppose proposal #44823 in HB 311

I am opposed to proposal #44823 in HB 311 which would give an appropriation of funds for a boat launch with 75-100 capacity parking on the Kasilof River at Trujillo's Landing - Ed's Kasilof Seafoods. There has been no public notification, concept design, or public concern addressed. They are trying to circumvent the public process. A boat launch would devastate habitat along the Lower Kasilof River, this fishery cannot withstand that kind of pressure. The two-stroke engines now banned from the Kenai would now go to the Lower Kasilof and the health of the river would be at stake. It would also disrupt long established, quiet local neighborhoods. Please do not pass this in the budget.

Thank you,
Audrey Stephens
Kasilof, Alaska

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 5:05 PM
To: Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve

Sounds great to change.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 2008 15:39:33

To: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve

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Am I too much of a softie? KJR

Karen J. Rehfeld, Director

Office of Management & Budget

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 3:11 PM

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve

All,

Please approve quote. Reporters are quickly approaching deadlines.

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Sharon Leighow

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 4:52 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Ktuu poll on vetoes

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 4:01 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve
Importance: High

Great, looks good - anyone with anything to add? If not- it's good to go.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 2008 15:10:36

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve

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From: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MKRUTHERFORD]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:37 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Gasline Communications

Governor,

I concur with Bruce Ander's most recent e-mail to you. We are in the middle of a monumental evaluation task on the TC' proposal and LNG options and we have involved the best experts available. Unfortunately the complexities of the projects and required evaluation of these projects, and the iterative aspect of the evaluation, make setting a special session date very difficult. Nonetheless we are forcing a decision by the end of this week. What I can tell you now is we will absolutely NOT be ready for a special session by mid-April. A more realistic question is can we be ready by mid-May. Once the analysis of data is complete, the Commissioners must make a decision and then it will take 6 weeks to write-up the required Finding. Finally, I am feeling very badly because it appears we have not kept you adequately up to speed. I have assumed that you were being provided regular updates. I now believe I, or perhaps Pat, Tom, and I, need to be providing you more extensive briefings on some regular schedule that works for you. Please advise when we might talk about where we are in the process, and what we are learning, as well as some of the challenges we are facing. We would love to have your participation, input and guidance.

Thanks for your time,

Marty

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To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)
Sent: Tue Mar 18 12:08:58 2008
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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 8:07 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Governor making the right call on supplemental budget
FDNM gets it at least...

Capital is capital

Governor making the right call on supplemental budget

Published Wednesday, March 19, 2008

A budget can be a dynamic beast, sometimes born of little more than a hazy crystal ball and a heap of educated guesses that metamorphose into sometimes frightening forms through a fiscal year.

But the beast should at least have recognizable parts — an operating budget, a capital budget, a supplemental budget. Some emergency reserves are part of the picture, too. When Gov. Sarah Palin insists that \$70 million in capital projects that she vetoed last summer not be shifted to last year's supplemental budget, she is on solid footing. She said putting the items in the supplemental is simply inappropriate. Alaskans will see the logic in her stance.

Still, the state House voted unanimously Monday and 38-1 on Tuesday to pass the supplemental budget with the \$70 million in projects included.

The Senate agreed on Tuesday, passing the supplemental budget 15-5. The bill now goes to the governor for her signature — and quite possibly some line-item vetoes. Lawmakers can try to override the vetoes, or they could try to put these items back in the 2009 capital budget.

With a near-unanimous vote for the supplemental budget in the House, it appears that going the veto-override route may be tempting to legislators.

Indeed, the supplemental budget manages billions of dollars. There are factors in that bill that are extraordinarily positive. It is a popular one overall.

And, admittedly, there are some items among that \$70 million for Fairbanks that we would like to see in the state's budget. Our delegation does need local support for these things, which include improvements to the J.P. Jones Community Development Center and reconstruction of the Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association building, among other projects.

But backtracking to insert these vetoed items into a supplemental budget, however popular, doesn't fit the purpose of a supplemental budget. These expenses, though small in relation to the total package, are hangers-on to what is otherwise good legislation. The

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problem is that they do not have to be there and, in fact, there is a better and more logical place for them.

It may be feasible in the politics of the moment to insert \$70 million in the supplemental budget, but the public understands what is a capital budget item and where those expenses should be logged; a capital expense is a capital expense.

Legislators should fight to put the items into the 2009 capital budget.

If they lose that struggle, at least they were fighting the right fight.

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From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 9:00 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Rep.Mike.Chenault@legis.state.ak.us
Subject: Veto F&G#44823- Kasilof boat launch

March 19, 2008
State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
Juneau, Alaska

Re: Lower Kasilof Boat Launch, FY2009 Governors Capital Budget Appropriation Department of Fish and Game, proposal #44823 in SB256

Honorable Governor Palin:

I understand that Fish and Game proposal #44823 is in your capital budget, but I would like to request that you veto this funding. How can F&G get funding to buy private property, to put in a public access motorized boat launch, before there has been any environmental assessments, public concerns, and input from the local residents, on how this will impact the river and our community. We do not want any motorized public access this far up the river, if there is a need for a motorized boat launch then it should be centrally located at the mouth of the Kasilof River where all the other boat traffic is located. We are concerned that once F&G get funding for this proposal we will have no recourse to keep this out of our neighborhood and protect the Kasilof River.

I am aware that Fish and Game say they are going to evaluate two sites for this proposal, the Trujillo parcel and Foxhill Estate Subdivision. I cannot support the funding of this proposal because the Trujillo parcel is where Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc. targeted, while floating with Fish and Game, as their ideal boat launch, that will be used primarily for commercial guide drift boat interest, but in order to obtain the use of Federal money from the tackle tax, they need to create a motorized boat launch for public use. I am concerned that what is happening to the Kenai River with overuse of motorized boats and increased traffic, how can we let the same devastation happen to the Kasilof River? As residents of this community, do we not have the right to express our concerns and have them heard before F&G have the funds to purchase one of these sites?

There are many people, myself included, that are very concerned with the issue of more traffic on the Kasilof River, especially with motorized public access, when the Kenai River is being purged of two-stroke motors, where will all those displaced dipnetters and fisherman end up? This is bigger than F&G wanting to use access through our neighborhood, this is going to be devastating to the Kasilof River and our community.

Last year you vetoed this project. Unfortunately, it has passed the House and Senate process this year, I urge you to veto it again.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
cindysmi@acsalaska.net
262-8432

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 12:41 PM
To: noel@alaska.com
Subject: RE: Legal_and_lawsuits

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 12:43 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Legal_and_lawsuits

Web mail from: Mr. Noel Rea
address: Box 135 Wrangell AK 99929

MESSAGE:

Please consider the broader picture in the 'debate' with the legislature on the supplemental capital projects. Much has been done regarding funds being saved and improved ethics among both the house and the senate. Please consider accommodating the request for the formally vetoed capital projects in the spirit of moving forward on larger issues such as the gas line and health care which deserve your time.

I think you have clearly made your point and the public has appreciated this effort however I think it may be time to accept these projects and move on. I don't agree with some of the projects either and perhaps you could target the larger appropriations (those at \$5 million or greater) for a bond package. Items like the Port of Anchorage would benefit from greater discussion of need and impact because the project is incredibly large.

The greater fiscal control is kept and needed on larger items while smaller communities with smaller requests can be helped with minimal impact made on the overall budget.

Thanks,

Noel Rea

noel@alaska.com

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To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: AGIA

I'll make the time - everyone just needs to let me know what I need to know because I'm asked everyday what's going on. Thanks

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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

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As your time allows I would appreciate you hearing from Marty so you can get her overview also. Tom

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 18 07:34:40 2008

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Yes, it is appropriate and wanted that you participate as much as your time allows. You and the gasline team need to be on the same page just like with the AGIA bill and with ACES. If you let us know timing we can facilitate updates/participation/communications with you.

AGIA is much different than the decision to be made for the Point Thomson remand hearing. God bless. Tom

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I'm hearing more scuttlebutt from TC's visit to lobby for Congressional assistance back in DC - that they were very careful not to sound like \$\$\$ was an AGIA prerequisite, but it seemed very clear that more assistance was in their game plan.

Is it appropriate to share concerns like this with you as the review is ongoing? Is it appropriate to share with Marty, Joe, Pat... anyone during the fact-finding, objective review period?

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Subject: Re: Lisa

We can't do press until we're ready with answers, the school folks can be pushed back if need be I my understanding is it's just a stop by.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Janice Mason
Sent: Mar 18, 2008 11:15 AM
Subject: RE: Lisa

Governor -

You have a meeting with school board officials at 3.

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:09 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lisa

will mike have karen and eddy ready to go by 2:30? i wont be getting back from lunch until about then... how about 3pm?

"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:

Thanks-

I am letting reporters know you will be holding a press availability around 2:30.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:44 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Subject: Lisa

Sharon- ktuu will be at the hse to get a shot of lisa coming for lunch
12:50. I told Bill if there was anything newsworthy I'd let him know
- he asked if it'd be ok for the photo op - I said yes.

Janice pls note on sched.

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 2008 11:38:55

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

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Once Mike is done with TP's I thought it would be a good time to at least revisit today's approach...now that we've had a chance to take a breath.

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To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:59 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Possible New Talent...

Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Kris Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Mar 18, 2008 9:43 AM
Subject: RE: Possible New Talent...

She's coming into the office tomorrow morning at 10am. I'll report back after we meet. I liked the sound of her on the phone.

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:37 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Possible New Talent...

do you have an idea when you'll get to talk to her?

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To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: KTUU

If we do press, why don't we invite leggies who can explain their side of this again- let Harris answer. I'm going to hate the perceived pettiness of this, and the "he said-she said" angle that Harris, et al, suggests re: who's not trying hard enough to communicate through this. We could at least say we (unprecedented, again) invited leadership to share in the press availability with us so we all can communicate with Alaskans about this- they're the important ones in this issue.

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 2008 11:29:41

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: KTUU

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: Google Alerts <googlealerts-noreply@google.com>

To: Kelly, Russell T (GOV)

Sent: Tue Mar 18 11:27:16 2008

Subject: Google Alert - John Harris Alaska

Google News Alert for: John Harris Alaska

House bucks Palin, approves budget bill <<http://www.ktuu.com/Global/story.asp?S=8034627>>
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KTUU - Anchorage, AK, USA

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To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); McBride; Rhonda (GOV)
Cc: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Dyson

Pls wk with Dyson on setting up his Native Elders round table/task force. He's still upset that he ask for this last yr and it didn't get done. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:40 PM

To: 'ucida@acsalaska.net'

Subject: RE: oppose final budget - SB 256

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From: Audrey [mailto:ucida@acsalaska.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:24 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: oppose final budget - SB 256

Honorable Governor Sarah Palin:

Frustrating news re: Kasilof Boat Launch. The House just passed their final version of the budget and this proposal is still on SB256. It went onto the Senate floor and they also concur, so **it is in the Governor's hands to veto** or pass.

****Please veto this budget version.

Thank you,
Audrey Stephens
Kasilof, Alaska

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 12:48 PM

To: 'Dyer VanDevere'

Subject: RE: Kasilof Boat Ramp at Ed's Kasilof Seafoods

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From: Dyer VanDevere [mailto:dyer@vandevere.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 1:43 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Swanton, Charles O (DFG); Crome, Cora J (GOV); Lloyd, Denby S (DFG); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Rep.Kevin.Meyer; Rep.Mike.Chenault; Sen.Tom.Wagoner; Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Subject: Kasilof Boat Ramp at Ed's Kasilof Seafoods

State of Alaska

Office of the Governor

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Thank you for your time

Dyer VanDevere

PO Box 504 Kasilof

AK 99610

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:09 AM

To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: RE: Lisa

will mike have karen and eddy ready to go by 2:30? i wont be getting back from lunch until about then... how about 3pm?

"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:

Thanks-

I am letting reporters know you will be holding a press availability around 2:30.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:44 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Subject: Lisa

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From: Dyer VanDevere [dyer@vandevere.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 1:43 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Swanton; Charles O (DFG); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rep. Kevin Meyer; Rep. Mike Chenault; Sen. Tom Wagoner; Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Kasilof Boat Ramp at Ed's Kasilof Seafoods
State of Alaska

Office of the Governor

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:08 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Gov's Hse

Governor,

We won't have the projects start in May and I'll work with Mike Nizich for scheduling.

Thanks,

Erika

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Sent: Tue Mar 18 07:39:12 2008
Subject: Gov's Hse

Erika: Special session may be throughout May, so pls don't have water shut off in the house during that month. Pls work with Mr. Nizich on timing of the water repair issues, thanks. We should know more on sp sess timing soon.

Joe- when will we know what AGIA folks are looking at??? Leggies want to know also, asap.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 10:06 AM
To: cindysmi@acsalaska.net
Subject: RE: Veto F&G#44823- Kasilof boat launch

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net [mailto:cindysmi@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 9:00 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Rep.Mike.Chenault@legis.state.ak.us
Subject: Veto F&G#44823- Kasilof boat launch

March 19, 2008
State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
Juneau, Alaska

Re: Lower Kasilof Boat Launch, FY2009 Governors Capital Budget Appropriation Department of Fish and Game, proposal #44823 in SB256

Honorable Governor Palin:

I understand that Fish and Game proposal #44823 is in your capital budget, but I would like to request that you veto this funding. How can F&G get funding to buy private property, to put in a public access motorized boat launch, before there has been any environmental assessments, public concerns, and input from the local residents, on how this will impact the river and our community. We do not want any motorized public access this far up the river, if there is a need for a motorized boat launch then it should be centrally located at the mouth of the Kasilof River where all the other boat traffic is located. We are concerned that once F&G get funding for this proposal we will have no recourse to keep this out of our neighborhood and protect the Kasilof River.

I am aware that Fish and Game say they are going to evaluate two sites for this proposal, the Trujillo parcel and Foxhill Estate Subdivision. I cannot support the funding of this proposal because the Trujillo parcel is where Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc. targeted, while floating with Fish and Game, as their ideal boat launch, that will be used primarily for commercial guide drift boat interest, but in order to obtain the use of Federal money from the tackle tax, they need to create a motorized boat launch for public use. I am concerned that what is happening to the Kenai River with overuse of motorized boats and increased traffic, how can we let the same devastation happen to the Kasilof River? As residents of this community, do we not have the right to express our concerns and have them heard before F&G have the funds to purchase one of these sites?

There are many people, myself included, that are very concerned with the issue of more traffic on the Kasilof River, especially with motorized public access, when the Kenai River is being purged of two-stroke motors, where will all those displaced dipnetters and fisherman end up? This is bigger than F&G wanting to use access through our neighborhood, this is going to be devastating to the Kasilof River and our community.

Last year you vetoed this project. Unfortunately, it has passed the House and Senate process this year, I urge you to veto it again.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
cindysmi@acsalaska.net
262-8432

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:02 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Weekly: Subprime Crisis: Better--Not More--Regulation Needed

From: membership@uschamber.com [mailto:membership@uschamber.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Weekly: Subprime Crisis: Better--Not More--Regulation Needed

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Subprime Crisis: Better--Not More--Regulation Needed

By Tom Donohue

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By capital markets, I'm talking about the vast array of financial products and services--debt and equities securities, mutual funds, commodities and derivative products, credit and banking products, and insurance--upon which businesses, investors, and consumers depend. All of these are essential for financing new ideas, innovations, and jobs, as well as new homes, retirement, and college tuition.

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From: Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:31 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: IOGCC release

May 4-6 in Calgary.

We are working on a script for a welcome that we can videotape in case you cannot attend.

A group of us, including Dan Seamount and the gasline team have been working to help IOGCC develop the meeting agenda. It is almost complete.

Beth

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Sent: Tue Mar 18 09:21:07 2008
Subject: Fw: IOGCC release

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To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
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Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

From 2002 to 2004 Mr. Smith served as assistant secretary of fossil energy for the U.S. Department of Energy. He served as the primary policy advisor to Secretary Spencer Abraham on federal coal, petroleum, and natural gas programs, including extensive research and development efforts. Smith's responsibilities included overseeing an organization of nearly 1,000 scientists, engineers, technicians and administrative staff in two national laboratories, four field offices and at DOE's headquarters in Washington, D.C. He was responsible for several high-priority presidential initiatives, including the implementation of the Bush Administration's \$2 billion development of a new generation of environmentally sound clean coal technologies and the \$1 billion FutureGen project. Duties also included managing the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve and the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve, both key emergency response tools available to the president to protect Americans from energy supply disruptions.

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About the IOGCC

The IOGCC is a multi-state government agency whose mission is to promote the conservation and efficient recovery of the nation's domestic oil and natural gas resources while protecting health, safety and the environment.

In 1935, six states took advantage of a constitutional right to "compact," or agree to work together, to resolve common issues. Faced with unregulated petroleum overproduction and the resulting waste, the states endorsed and Congress ratified a compact to take control of the issues.

Today, the IOGCC's membership is comprised of 30 member states, eight associate states and eight international affiliate country members. The IOGCC is headquartered in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. For more information, visit <http://www.iogcc.state.ok.us>
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To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Ask Harris

Importance: High

While you're down there... Ask him WHY he doesn't want to just sit down and talk about overall spending and what projects are appropriate? We're offering, why's he refusing? Also, I'm going email Meyer unless someone can ask him why he'd say such a thing to McAllister re: a "cat fight" the other day.

Pls ask Harris WHY tho', before I talk to reporters today.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:49 AM
To: huffmane9@gci.net
Subject: RE: Budget

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Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:25 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. James Huffman
address: 9930 Annette Cr Eagle River AK 99577

MESSAGE:

I urge you to stand firm against the legislature regarding the current supplemental spending bill. Legislators trying to gain support from constituents are unwisely inserting many "pet projects" into the budget. Many of these items were vetoed last year and have no place in the supplemental budget. I strongly urge you to veto EVERY item that is recycled from last year.

I am also disappointed at the level of spending from House and Senate members. While the state coffers are experiencing a significant budget surplus, not enough of this excess is being saved. Alaska will encounter rainy days in the near future and it is the responsibility of the Governor and Legislator to be good stewards of the resources and ensure enough money is saved for those rainy days. From what I have seen of the current spending bills, there is little fiscal discipline by our state government.

James Huffman

huffmane9@gci.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:29 AM
To: mattpeter2003@mac.com
Subject: RE: Budget

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Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 6:44 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. Matthew Peter
address: 1800 Beaver Place Apt# 1 ANCHORAGE AK 99504
907-360-9090

MESSAGE:

Ma'am,

I have been listening to the budget issues your dealing with right now, and I just wanted to say that I'm glad to see a fiscal conservative in office and I stand behind you 100%. You continue to impress me and I thank God we have you for a governor!

Yours truly,

Matt P.

mattpeter2003@mac.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 7:39 AM
To: Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Todd; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 7:35 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: AGIA

I'm asking janice to put on sched a good chunk on time to get a preliminary overview of what we're looking at. Joe and I talked about that last night and I asked him for that review. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 2008 07:27:37

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: AGIA

Yes, it is appropriate and wanted that you participate as much as your time allows. You and the gasline team need to be on the same page just like with the AGIA bill and with ACES. If you let us know timing we can facilitate updates/participation/communications with you.

AGIA is much different than the decision to be made for the Point Thomson remand hearing.
God bless. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 18 07:06:35 2008

Subject: AGIA

I'm hearing more scuttlebutt from TC's visit to lobby for Congressional assistance back in DC - that they were very careful not to sound like \$\$\$ was an AGIA prerequisite, but it seemed very clear that more assistance was in their game plan.

Is it appropriate to share concerns like this with you as the review is ongoing? Is it appropriate to share with Marty, Joe, Pat... anyone during the fact-finding, objective review period?

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:37 AM

To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Fwd: Possible New Talent...

do you have an idea when you'll get to talk to her?

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:43 AM

To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)

Subject: Re: Rep. Lynn's HB 287 - Divest from companies doing business in Sudan

yes, see where Lynn wants to go with us on this, as i'll be asked again where the admin is on it.
thanks

"Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov> wrote:

Governor:

At your request, I reviewed HB 287. The bill would place a number of new obligations on the Alaska Permanent Fund, including divesting from companies that do business with Sudan. (The Sudanese government is accused of sponsoring genocide against civilians in Darfur) The bill's prime sponsors are Rep. Lynn and Rep. Gara.

The bill has been heard once this session in House State Affairs. Mike Burns of the Permanent Fund testified against the bill ("we do not believe that investment decisions made for social or political reasons are in the best interest of the permanent fund.") The permanent fund also produced a fiscal note estimating costs at nearly \$11 million for FY 2009, and about \$8 million a year for every year thereafter. The permanent fund attributes most of these costs to fund managers raising their rates for having to change how they handle their portfolios.

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Randy

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:14 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Homeland_Security

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:11 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Homeland_Security

Web mail from: Mr. Joseph McMahon
address: 32 Davis Avenue Mt. Ephraim NJ 08059
856-931-4326

MESSAGE:

Governor,

I have sent a email to Sen. McCain, You would make a wonderful Vice President.
And Best of luck to you having a baby, My oldest Daughter who is 25 is having one as
well, our first Grand child.

GO GIRL AND RUN FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Joe McMahon

mscmswusnret@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:13 AM
To: mmstep@ptialaska.net
Subject: RE: Budget

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:24 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. Mel Stephens
address: PO Box 1129 Kodiak AK 99615
907-486-3143

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin:

Show us that last year wasn't an aberration and VETO the damned supplemental operating budget line items containing all those capital projects. We are behind YOU on this and NOT our namby pamby gimmie-gimmie legislators!

Mel Stephens

Kodiak

mmstep@ptialaska.net

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Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: AGIA

Janice- pls wk with Joe on securing a chunk of time for me to get an update on AGIA.
Sooner is better. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:08 AM
To: lmerites@northstar.k12.ak.us
Subject: RE: Education

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 9:01 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Ms. Lori Mertes
address: 121 Eureka Fairbanks AK 99701
907 452-6514

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

In January when you came to talk to the Delegate Assembly you stated we would be getting much needed money for our school districts to be able to run their schools better. Well our district has stated that the money will be here sooner, but is not adequate to run our schools and give the teachers a raise in pay (we are negotiating a new contract) and they are proposing giving us no raise for three years and capping the health cost to the district and the teachers would pay any additional health cost-so indeed they are decreasing out pay.

What is the FNSBSD getting from the state and will it be enough to run the schools and give teachers the much needed increase.

Thank you for listening and congratulations on the upcoming birth of your new addition. I think you are an inspiration for women everywhere and to our young daughters that they can have careers too and still have a family.

Thanks for your time

Lori Mertes

Resource Teacher and Parent of 4
FNSBSD

lmertes@northstar.k12.ak.us

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:05 AM
To: kouskov1528@hotmail.com
Subject: RE: Budget

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 11:31 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Ken Lester
address: box 373 Kodiak AK 99615
907-486-3376

MESSAGE:

Stick to your guns on the budget. The Legislature is doing just what was done in the 80's. Just because there is extra money they want to spend it. We people of Alaska are tired of anchorage getting all the funding. You should take a trip to Kodiak and drive on the State roads. They are a mess and we need help more than Anchorage. I also would wager that there many communities in Alaska that can prove the same things. But, just beacuse we have extra dosen't mean it has to be spent. We need a savings account with a princpal that the Legislature cannot touch.

kouskov1528@hotmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 6:17 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Confidential

Thank you Tom- I've been praying for wisdom also on this- I am so glad to know you join me in this- God will have to show me what to do on the people's budget because I don't yet know the right path... He will show me though. Thank you and God bless your day today!

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Irwin
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Mar 17, 2008 11:40 PM
Subject: Confidential

Governor, just wanted to encourage you on the budget and let you know I have prayed in Jesus name for you to have wisdom and discernment and that God would bless you and your family. Tom

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RMFAUBION]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:11 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin '
Subject: Dyson Report

I had promised you a report today on my meeting with Fred Dyson and follow-ups to vet his ideas.

I'm not done yet, but will submit it to you soon.

Sorry for the delay.

Thanks,

Rhonda

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:40 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Ethics Training

Governor,

Just a note to let you know that I and my staff (Anchorage and Juneau) underwent an ethics refresher course today with a specific focus on maintaining separation between the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the campaign. We'll continue to maintain that separation required by law and the public trust, and as previous lieutenant governors and other elected officials have done when they have run for office while being in office.

Regards,

Sean

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:26 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV)
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: op ed

Thanks John - Your Op Ed was published in the Juneau Empire today. The Ketchikan Daily News ran it this weekend.

From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 5:13 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: op ed

I reside in DC. Thanks for shopping this. If someone doesn't publish it, you and I might want to talk about other ways to respond to Congressman Young's inaccurate and gratuitous shots at the Palin administration.

P.S.

I don't know the Juneau Empire staff very well anymore. Please make them understand that I came from Alaska. I don't think of us as DC lobbyists.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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<41AD1B17A04BD8448ABBB348230CC93D5FD296@SOAANCMSG04.soa.alaska.gov>
"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:
John,

The Juneau Empire is considering your Op Ed piece. They would like to know what city you reside in. Thanks

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:41 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: FW: Budget

This one will make you smile! Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:12 AM
To: peter.kamilos@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Budget

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 7:28 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. Peter Kamilos
address: HC 35 Box 5355ZX Wasilla AK 99654
907.373.6256

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I am writing to let you know that despite the fact that I am a pretty strong anti-Republican--you are the first Republican I ever voted for--I am still behind you.

As this budget mess gets hammered out I intend to back your ultimate decision. I value your voice of moderation and reason--in most things--and hope that you continue in this vein.

Whether you veto the budget and the crooks in Juneau or decide to make peace with them, I am for once comfortable in the fact that you will make the right decision.

I don't like Republicans, I am not a big fan of Democrats, but I support you, your policies, and plan to vote for you next time you are due for election.

Thank you and good luck.

--Peter Kamilos--

peter.kamilos@gmail.com

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:27 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject: RE: IOGCC release

Sunday, May 4th through Tuesday, May 6th, 2008 in Calgary, Alberta - Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:21 AM
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Fw: IOGCC release

When is their next mtg that I'm supposed to chair?

----- Original Message -----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tue Mar 18 09:17:09 2008
Subject: IOGCC release

For your approval, please see the second graph below in this IOGCC draft release. Dan Seamount has already seen this.

C. Michael Smith Named Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission Executive Director

The Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission today announced that C. Michael "Mike" Smith has been selected as executive director. Smith will be responsible for providing advocacy, coordination, education and strategy to the IOGCC's 30 member and eight associate states on key domestic energy issues.

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From 2002 to 2004 Mr. Smith served as assistant secretary of fossil energy for the U.S. Department of Energy. He served as the primary policy advisor to Secretary Spencer Abraham on federal coal, petroleum, and natural gas programs, including extensive research and development efforts. Smith's responsibilities included overseeing an organization of nearly 1,000 scientists, engineers, technicians and administrative staff in two national laboratories, four field offices and at DOE's headquarters in Washington, D.C. He was responsible for several high-priority presidential initiatives, including the implementation of the Bush Administration's \$2 billion development of a new generation of environmentally sound clean coal technologies and the \$1 billion FutureGen project. Duties also included managing the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve and the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve, both key emergency response tools available to the president to protect Americans from energy supply disruptions.

Mr. Smith's international experience includes service with the secretary general, Ministry of Science and Technology, People's Republic of China as a co-chair of the US-China Oil and Gas Forum and as chairman of the policy group, Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum (CSLF). CSLF is a Bush Administration initiative with a 21 country membership seeking technical solutions to the capture and storage of carbon dioxide from energy generating facilities. Additionally, he led U.S. bilateral fossil energy protocols in Australia, India, Norway and Russia.

From 1995 to 2002, Mr. Smith served as Oklahoma's secretary of energy in the cabinet of former Gov. Frank Keating. He was responsible for fossil energy policy and oversight of seven major state energy agencies and commissions. He served as the governor's official representative to the IOGCC, the Southern States Energy Board, the Interstate Mining Compact Commission and the Governors' Ethanol Coalition. He served IOGCC as its vice chairman in 1999.

Mr. Smith served as president of the Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association in 1994 and operated as an independent oil and gas exploration company based in Oklahoma City. He practiced energy law and earned Bachelor of Arts and law degrees from the University of Oklahoma.

About the IOGCC

The IOGCC is a multi-state government agency whose mission is to promote the conservation and efficient recovery of the nation's domestic oil and natural gas resources while protecting health, safety and the environment.

In 1935, six states took advantage of a constitutional right to "compact," or agree to work together, to resolve common issues. Faced with unregulated petroleum overproduction and the resulting waste, the states endorsed and Congress ratified a compact to take control of the issues.

Today, the IOGCC's membership is comprised of 30 member states, eight associate states and eight international affiliate country members. The IOGCC is headquartered in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. For more information, visit <http://www.iogcc.state.ok.us>
<<http://www.iogcc.state.ok.us/>> .

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:16 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lisa

Governor -
You have a meeting with school board officials at 3.

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:09 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: RE: Lisa

will mike have karen and eddy ready to go by 2:30? i wont be getting back from lunch until about then...
how about 3pm?

"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:
Thanks-

I am letting reporters know you will be holding a press availability
around 2:30.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:44 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Subject: Lisa

Sharon- ktuu will be at the hse to get a shot of lisa coming for lunch
12:50. I told Bill if there was anything newsworthy I'd let him know
- he asked if it'd be ok for the photo op - I said yes.

Janice pls note on sched.
Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:51 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Kelsey; Mark D (GOV)
Subject: RE: FW: Fowler Oil & Gas

Yeah, and the folks he's involved with too. Ouch.

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:36 AM
To: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Fowler Oil & Gas

sounds like there's more to Fowler than we know of? based on Zaz's article...

"Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)" <mark.kelsey@alaska.gov> wrote:
Latest CBM update from Bob Fowler.

Mark D. Kelsey
Special Assistant to the Governor
Office of Gov. Sarah Palin
907.269.7450, Anchorage

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Fowler [mailto:mfowler57@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thu 3/13/2008 6:22 PM
To: Robert Fowler
Subject: Fowler Oil & Gas

Governor Palin

I just wanted you to be the first to know that we delivered the drilling permit bond to the AOGCC today for our Kircher #1 permit.

Best Regards
Bob Fowler

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:55 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Need attachment
Importance: High

I did not receive the attachment - Janice

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:44 PM
To: Heyward, Lydia D (LAW)
Subject: RE:

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From: Heyward, Lydia D (LAW)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:07 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject:

This photo was taken at the Great Alaska Shootout and I thought you might like a copy. My granddaughter is very proud of the picture!

Lydia Heyward, Investigator
State of AK, Dept. of Law
Criminal Div., Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals
Medicaid Fraud Control Unit
310 K St., Ste. 300
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(email) Lydia.Heyward@alaska.gov

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:26 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV)
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: op ed

Thanks John – Your Op Ed was published in the Juneau Empire today. The Ketchikan Daily News ran it this weekend.

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Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 5:13 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: op ed

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<41AD1B17A04BD8448ABBB348230CC93D5FD296@SOAANCMSG04.soa.alaska.gov>
"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:

John,

The Juneau Empire is considering your Op Ed piece. They would like to know what city you reside in. Thanks

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:28 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: RE: Rep. Lynn's HB 287 - Divest from companies doing business in Sudan

Governor:

I spoke to the staffer carrying the bill for Rep. Lynn. They are trying to come up with amendments that will eliminate or greatly reduce the fiscal impact on the Permanent Fund. The staffer said there may be another hearing but was sure the bill was not going to pass this session. I offered to work with their office over the interim.

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Randy

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:43 AM
To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Rep. Lynn's HB 287 - Divest from companies doing business in Sudan

yes, see where Lynn wants to go with us on this, as i'll be asked again where the admin is on it. thanks

"Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov> wrote:

The bill has been heard once this session in House State Affairs. Mike Burns of the Permanent Fund testified against the bill ("we do not believe that investment decisions made for social or political reasons are in the best interest of the permanent fund.") The permanent fund also produced a fiscal note estimating costs at nearly \$11 million for FY 2009, and about \$8 million a year for every year thereafter. The permanent fund attributes most of these costs to fund managers raising their rates for having to change how they handle their portfolios.

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Randy

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:43 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: RE: Possible New Talent...

She's coming into the office tomorrow morning at 10am. I'll report back after we meet. I liked the sound of her on the phone.

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:37 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fwd: Possible New Talent...

do you have an idea when you'll get to talk to her?

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 11:49 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Frye; Ivy J (DOA)
Subject: Interview Scheduled

Governor - Ivy has confirmed the telephone interview with John Gizzie, Political Editor (Washington, DC) for Thursday, 03.18.08 at 10:30 a.m. AK Time. This has been added to your calendar. Janice

Unknown

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 5:04 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: Larry Wood

Update: I've sent emails to McHugh, BG Katkus and Commissioner Campbell. Got a response from McHugh - he talked w/Nizich. Katkus responded that he's traveling; his letter was forwarded. Got a response from Craig - no info/he plans to talk w/Nizich tomorrow (his email below).

I've asked to be kept in the loop. I suspect Nizich and/or Craig will update you directly tomorrow.

Found out that Larry sent a letter to you and Russ last August. Russ responded and I've requested a copy of it.

Confidentially/not to fwd: I'm not sensing any urgency, but then it wasn't their name slandered in the paper with no prior knowledge. I'd like to see a letter of clarification or correction, which I will convey once I get more information on the whole issue.

-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 4:37 PM
To: Campbell, Craig (MVA)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: Larry Wood

Thanks. I would appreciate being kept in the loop as this is a constituent that contacts this office and who I have met with previously. I've heard that he is submitting a letter to the editor in the ADN as well which may be in the paper tomorrow. I suspect this will come up again at that time and the Governor will ask what the status is.

Kris

-----Original Message-----

From: Campbell, Craig AK TAG NGAK [mailto:craig.campbell2@us.army.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 4:08 PM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Larry Wood

Got it. Larry has a number of issues with ASDF. I will discuss with Nizich tomorrow.

CEC

-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

To: Campbell, Craig AK TAG NGAK

Sent: Mon Mar 17 15:38:12 2008

Subject: Larry Wood

Commissioner,

In follow-up to the Governor's email regarding Larry Wood and his letter to the editor; I can contact McHugh and Brigadier General Katkus to get more information but wanted to run it through you first.

Larry's concern relates to the State Defense Force and BG Westall.

Thanks,

Kris

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 3:11 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Governor's statement on House vote - please approve

All,

Please approve quote. Reporters are quickly approaching deadlines.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:45 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: FW: Request to speak w/ the Governor

Governor – This is just an FYI for you. Janice

From: Buck, Hannah K (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 2:42 PM
To: akreporterng@gcl.net
Subject: Request to speak w/ the Governor

Dear Merica:

To follow up our phone conversation this afternoon, I would like to request that you send me an email explaining your concerns. Due to the Governor's demanding schedule, especially during legislative session, it has been difficult to schedule a time for you to speak with her. By sending a detailed email including the subject matter, we can be sure that your concerns are properly addressed.

I also understand that you tried to approach the Governor last weekend during the Republican Convention but were not able to discuss your concerns. Please keep in mind that the Governor has a very tight schedule and had many engagements to attend to while in Anchorage. I apologize if there were any misunderstandings.

With all respect,

Hannah Buck
Scheduling Assistant
Office of the Governor
(907) 465-3500
hannah.buck@alaska.gov

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Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: Sandy [sacmatthews@acsalaska.net]

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 8:43 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); rep.kevin.meyer@legis.state.ak.us; Rep.paul.seaton@legis.state.ak.us; Rep.kurt.olson@legis.state.ak.us; rep_mike_chenault@legis.state.ak.us; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); charlie.swanton@alaska.gov

Subject: Lower Kaslof Boat Launch, Dept. Fish and Game proposal # 44823

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P.O. Box 265
Kasilof, Alaska 99610
March 18, 2008

State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0001

Re: Department of Fish and Game funding proposal # 44823 now in SB 256 and HB 311
for the purchase of the Trujillo property on the Kasilof River.

Honorable Governor Palin,

Just over 3 weeks ago my neighborhood found out by accident the Department of Fish and Game was again trying to get funding to buy the Trujillo property for a public access power boat launch. The access to this boat ramp would be through my neighborhood. Hopefully you have had a chance to view our correspondence to the State regarding this project.

As far as we know the State has had no public input on the effects of this project on the river, the commercial fishing industry, critical habitat, or the local residents. There is a big push to buy Trujillos when it is not even known if it is an acceptable site for a power boat launch. The Swanson property is also being considered for this boat launch but we have found no funding proposal to buy it too. Why would the State buy one but not the other before the site assessment is completed?

When my neighborhood first began the fight against this power boat launch at Trujillos I just wanted it to be somewhere else on the river. In these few weeks I have thought about it a lot and have come to the realization that I do not want another public access power boat launch any where on the Kasilof River. The Kenai River has so many problems now because of the high numbers of power boats. The Kasilof is a much smaller river and I believe it will be devastated if large numbers of power boats come here, and they will if the State provides easy access to the lower river.

Last year you vetoed this project. If this funding proposal makes it through the Senate and House process this year I urge you to reject it again.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

Sandra Matthews

Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

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Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2008 9:36 AM
To: Kelsey; Mark D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Fowler Oil & Gas

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Latest CBM update from Bob Fowler.

Mark D. Kelsey
Special Assistant to the Governor
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-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Fowler [mailto:mfowler57@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thu 3/13/2008 6:22 PM
To: Robert Fowler
Subject: Fowler Oil & Gas

Governor Palin

I just wanted you to be the first to know that we delivered the drilling permit bond to the AOGCC today for our Kircher #1 permit.

Best Regards
Bob Fowler

6/9/2009

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 3:18 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Guest book

Just noticed you signed our guest book a week ago. Thanks for stopping by from your "down the hall" address.

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 2:21 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Diane

It will be ready and waiting for you tomorrow morning. :)

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Wed Mar 19 13:54:55 2008
Subject: Re: Diane

Thanks. I'll bring it with me in the morning.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 2008 13:54:10
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Diane

She just made a bunch of banana bread. We'll send that over in a basket-can do juice too if that sounds good... unless we hear otherwise. Thanks, E

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Wed Mar 19 13:46:56 2008
Subject: Diane

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Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:55 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Response to Senator Dyson's Re: Eagle River Loop Road

Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 2008 13:44:18

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Response to Senator Dyson's Re: Eagle River Loop Road

Governor:

I have an appointment with Senator Dyson for 4:30 today to discuss.

Thanks,

Randy

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:36 PM

To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)

Subject: Re: Response to Senator Dyson's Re: Eagle River Loop Road

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Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:48 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Diane

No problem. Thanks! E

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To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Wed Mar 19 13:46:56 2008
Subject: Diane

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:27 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Rosanne

Great. Pls see if she can come down here sooner rather than later. Monday? If she's good, she's got to fill the role of the Comm boss, and [Privileged] can still come on bd too in the Anchorage office if that's still her plan. We reduced Security to 1.5 hourly, on call as needed (keeping Bob and Tom part time) - that's confidential until Nizich tells them all - so we have the funds for beefed up Comm staff now.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 2008 11:20:22

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Rosanne

I met w/Rosanne [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

[Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

If you'd like to meet w/her, I can arrange for Friday in Anchorage or perhaps she can fly to Juneau next week and also meet w/others. [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

Kris

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 12:15 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV)
Subject: Re: Institute of the North

Sounds good. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 2008 11:11:11

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>

Subject: Institute of the North

Governor-

The Institute of the North is working on an educational DVD project called "You Own Alaska". The producer, Marla Williams, sat next to you on a recent flight from Seattle. They are requesting a 30 minute interview with you on the issues of being good stewards of Alaska's resources, our responsibilities to ensure Alaska's future, and what it means to have a stake in Alaska. I will get questions in advance.

They would bring a team of four to Juneau and will likely have a lot of equipment to set up. They have requested 90 minutes to set up so I thought maybe we could shoot this at the mansion. Erika and I could coordinate the set up so you would just have to show up for the interview. I have talked with Janice and we could do this next Thursday. Please let me know.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage

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(907) 240-7943 cell

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 2:51 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Constituent representation on Fish and Game proposal # 44823

From: Sandy [mailto:sacmatthews@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:38 PM
To: rep_mike_chenault@legis.state.ak.us
Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Lt.Governor@gov.state.ak.us; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Constituent representation on Fish and Game proposal # 44823

Representative Chenault,

My neighbors and I are very disappointed to know that your office will not be forwarding our correspondence to you regarding our opposition to ADF&G proposal # 44823, the purchase of the Trujillo property on to the Governors office.

This has gone beyond just keeping our neighborhood as it is. The health of the Kasilof River and its strong salmon runs are at stake. As you know the Kenai River has over crowding, destroyed habitat, aggressive power boaters (guides and private) hydrocarbon pollution, and boat motor noise pollution. And now the State wants to bring that to the Kasilof River.

As your constituents my neighbors and I would like you to see to it that our voices are heard. Governor Palin will make the final decision on funding the proposal and we would like her to see how strongly we oppose it.

Sincerely,

Sandra Matthews
P.O. Box 265
Kasilof Alaska, 99610

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 2:48 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Subject: FW: C.Smith followup oppose F&G

From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net [mailto:cindysmi@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 11:29 AM
To: tom.wright@legis.state.ak.us
Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: C.Smith followup oppose F&G

March 19, 2008

State of Alaska
Representative Mike Chenault's Office

Mr. Wright,

I wanted to follow-up with our conversation this morning regarding a Lower Kasilof public access motorized boat launch, and would appreciate if Mr. Chenault would please send all copies of my correspondence with your office and yourself to Governor Palin. I would also like Mr. Chenault to send a letter of the concerns in his District regarding Fish and Games Proposal #44823 in SB256, to Governor Palin.

I am aware that this project is in her capital budget and was placed there early in the process, before anyone in our community realized that this project was again in the budget, after being vetoed last year. We have sent numerous letters of concern regarding the process with which this project has been initiated and pushed through.

Mr. Chenault is our District Representative and I feel that he should let Governor Palin know that, as of recently, we have been trying to get our concerns heard by all departments involved in this process. I understand that Mr. Chenault met with Fish and Game, but that does not subside my concerns, I would still like Mr. Chenault to address my concerns to the Governor in a letter from his constituents opposed to the funding of this proposal. I would like to see this proposal vetoed. Thank you for your time. Please see that Mr. Chenault also receives a copy of this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
Kasilof, Alaska
262-8432

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 1:36 PM

To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)

Subject: Re: Response to Senator Dyson's Re: Eagle River Loop Road

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Randy

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From: Nate&Roxy Sheets [nrsheets@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 10:42 AM
To: Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA)
Subject: Budget for Public Safety

Greetings.

I recently read the article in the ADN regarding the \$70 million worth of capital projects vetoed by the Governor last summer. The reason given for why she was doing that was "to have money for funding areas that were important to her, such as: health, *public safety*, education and transportation". I am writing this email to remind you all of that statement. As of now, the Governor and her Administration has proved to be false and misleading in these statements. The current contract proposed to PSEA by the Palin Administration proves that public safety is not an item that is important to any of you. I am appalled that any of you stand by this proposed contract, (a contract that tells every Department of Public Safety employee that you have no regard for them, their families and that they are of little or no importance to The State of Alaska), and continue to publicly make statements expounding on how important the safety of all Alaskans is to you. Perhaps it would be good for all of you to remember the saying "Actions speak louder than words.". The actions shown by this Administration tell me that they are ignorant to the needs of the citizens of The State of Alaska and to the safety and well being of all. These are actions that will be remembered and explained to every Alaskan I meet.

Now is the time for each of you to reevaluate the proposed contract to the PSEA and make it one that is worthy of The State of Alaska.

Thank you for your time. I will look forward to a response from each of you. This is not my first email or letter I have written and I am still waiting for responses on those as well.

Respectfully,

Roxanne Sheets
P.O. Box 45
Aniak, AK 99557
907-675-4864

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 6:58 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nyholm; Allison J (GOV); Persily; Larry A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Secretary Gutierrez to AK

Yes, I'll do this. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 2008 08:01:45

To: <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Allison Nyholm" <anyholm@ALASKADC.org>, "Larry Persily" <lpersily@ALASKADC.org>

Cc: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Secretary Gutierrez to AK

Janice, would the Governor want us to seek a meeting between the Secretary and her? This is obviously a Senator Stevens trip, but the Secretary would likely meet with the Governor if she is interested.

Topics could include the State's position on agriculture legislation, beluga whales, trade, or fishery issues generally.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

>>> On 3/17/2008 at 11:24 AM, Allison Nyholm <anyholm@ALASKADC.org> wrote:

All,

Secretary Gutierrez will be in the state March 25th and part of the 26th. He will be doing

some events with Senator Stevens in Fairbanks during this trip.

Allison

Unknown

From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 4:51 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: FW: Land Meeting Today

Positive comments regarding Christine Klein from the FAA Regional Mgr today out of a meeting in Fairbanks.

F

Hi Christine,

I understand you had a fairly productive meeting with Jim and Steve this morning, at least we are talking now, which is a huge step in the right direction. I hope you can tolerate Steve's exuberance, he is well meaning, but he often times gets overly excited when articulating his position. Trust me, we have admonished him to rein in his delivery, and we will continue to counsel moderation with him. I hope we can get our next steps meeting set so we can move forward on resolving these land use issues collaboratively.

Jim and I are truly thrilled to have you as a partner in the important work we have to do to ensure safety in Alaska aviation. We are committed to helping you as you work your change agenda. Whatever we can do within our purview to help you affect change within the DOT, we will do.

Thanks for embracing this challenge, together I know we can make this work.

Regards,

BK

Byron K. Huffman

Airports Division Manager

FAA-Alaskan Region

(907) 271-5438

"Finding ways to say yes...

Not reasons to say no"

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 7:26 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Visit with Sen. Dyson

Governor:

Mike Barnhill from LAW, Russ Kelly, and I spent about an hour with Senator Dyson. Basically, he has 2 issues.

1). **Use of Legislative Intent Language.** Senator Dyson wants the legislature to be able to control the size and other details of state construction projects through "intent" language in the budget. An example he gave relative to the Eagle River Loop Road project was that he wanted the speed limit to be lower and the median to be about 200 feet shorter. (He has constituent(s) with a business who are concerned customers will have a harder time making left turns to his business because of the median) He wants the legislature to be able to control these kinds of details through intent language. Mr. Barnhill explained the legal issues and we discussed that DOT is usually in a better position to determine these details through their engineers and safety experts. He said he understood, but wants to pursue the issue through a court case if necessary.

2). **Changes to Eagle River Loop Road.** Senator Dyson wanted several changes to the project. DOT made some changes, like partially narrowing the width of the project to the existing ROW, but refused to make other changes, like lowering the speed limit and shortening the median. Senator Dyson said this upset him and he was still going to submit his letter to the editor of the Eagle River Star.

DOT said they get put in a difficult position on projects like this. They design and build roads to serve the numbers of people using the road. On a high volume road like this, it has to be built a certain way to be safe and keep traffic moving, but this can cause problems with the people living or having businesses on the frontage part of the road. DOT held 10-12 public meetings and says that at some meetings, public comments were well in favor of the bike paths. DOT feels they made reasonable changes to the project to the extent they could without getting into safety issues.

I will continue to work with Leo on a plan to get DOT out and communicate with legislators during the interim on the STIP, earmarks, etc. We may be able to head off issues like this in the future with more communication and there is clearly a high level of frustration by many legislators with DOT.

Randy

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIYE]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 9:28 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: supplemental

I agree with Therriault—I think Harris and Lyda are purposefully making this a difficult process. Unfortunate they can't just do what's right. You're awesome tho...

Therriault explained his no vote on the Senate floor. He argued that it was inappropriate to include the capital items in a supplemental budget, which is generally used to cover unexpected expenses incurred over the course of the year. And he accused majority members of including the items in the budget, which covers fiscal year 2008, to make the 2009 capital budget look smaller.

He also suggested majority members were deliberately not cooperating with the governor.

"It just leads me to believe that there must be some other reason (for not putting the projects in the capital budget)," he said.

Therriault said later he thought there might be some effort "to keep some members agitated at the governor," but wouldn't be more specific.

On the floor, members of the bipartisan majority defended the bill by pointing to the savings elements and funding for certain programs.

The five members of the Republican minority were the only senators to vote against the bill.

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 8:37 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Michael Tibbles; Kris Perry
Subject: Senator Murkowski Lunch

I understand that you had lunch with Senator Murkowski yesterday. I'm not prying, but just wanted to know how it went and whether there is anything that we should follow-up on from here.

I was pleased with Senator Stevens' recent clarification on earmarks but have concluded that there is nothing more we can do to change the inaccurate perceptions of the Voice of the Times on the State's earmark policy.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 12:02 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)
Subject: Response to Senator Dyson's Re: Eagle River Loop Road

Governor:

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Randy

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Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 11:20 AM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Rosanne

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Kris

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Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: winczura@mtaonline.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 9:42 PM
To: Notti; Emil R (CED)
Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Letter

Attached is a letter that may be of interest to you. I welcome any questions/comments you may have.

John Winczura RN, PA-C

6/9/2009

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John Winczura RN, PAC

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Eagle River, AK 99577
(907) 696-1080

March 19, 2008

Alaska State Medical Board

Dear Board Members:

I am addressing this board once again because of difficulties that I am having in successfully working as a physician assistant in the positions that I have attempted to be hired in, but mainly because of the difficulty that I am having in satisfying the demands of this board for obtaining a collaborative physician in the Anchorage bowl. Although I have addressed several different physicians in the area, I have been unable to find one that is willing to act as a collaborative physician in my business endeavor. Sadly, although one would like to think that there are no ramifications from others concerning a history of alcoholism, in real life this is not the case. I have mentioned before that I truly regret my past actions while actively practicing as an alcoholic. I have now been sober for 7 1/2 years and am trying to get my life back together again. This has been an upward battle all the way. I am not expecting others to feel sorry for me, I am not trying to make excuses, and I do not expect that "the world owes me". Be that as it may, it is clear to me that the public at large still has a very negative attitude towards recovering alcoholics and addicts.

This is not just a statement, this is a fact. I have personally experienced this situation over and over again. Major hospitals in the area have refused to hire me into positions that I am well-qualified for even though at the time they have had a shortage of qualified personnel applying for these positions. Several positions as a physician assistant that I have applied for in private clinics, I have never made it past the interview. It seems as soon as I mentioned that I am a recovering alcoholic, or that I am working under a Memorandum of Agreement with the State Medical Board, interest seems to completely die off. I realize that the underlying reasons for this discriminatory behavior stem from my past history, but that is just it-it is past history! Once again I remind this board that I have been clean and sober for about 7 1/2 years.

There are several new members sitting on this board now that may not know my history. I am therefore going to briefly review the history of my interaction with this board. In November of 2000, I realized that my consumption of alcohol had become completely out of control. I voluntarily admitted myself to a world renowned treatment program for healthcare professionals "Talbot Recovery Center" and spent the next four months in inpatient treatment. I invested all this time and money because I felt like I needed to do this to save my life. When I was discharged from this facility, I returned to Alaska with the intention of returning to work as recommended by my treatment counselors. I approached both the Alaska State Nursing Board and the Alaska State Medical Board with the intention of being completely open and honest with these boards as to my past transgressions and my intention for long term sobriety for the future. Interestingly enough, both these boards are under the umbrella of the Department of Community and Economic Development, the supervisor of which at that time was Rick Urion. The nursing board, after reviewing my history and the recommendations of the treatment facility, elected to allow me to go back to work with a Memorandum of Agreement that would appropriately supervise my employment as a registered nurse. (I was at that time licensed both as a registered nurse and a physician assistant). The executive director of the nursing board even helped me obtain my first job.

However, when I approached the medical board, I had a completely different reaction. The chairperson (Martha Cotten) blatantly stated during that meeting that "if it were up to me you would never get your physician assistant license again (because you are an alcoholic and you lied to this board)". Needless to say I was flabbergasted. I spent the next 3 1/2 years approaching the board several times attempting to get my license renewed. I had even on the first meeting occasion had a tentative Memorandum of Agreement worked out by the medical board investigators and myself for submission to the board. That MOA was thrown out without any consideration. After 3 1/2 years, when the board finally decided that I was worthy of having my license returned, voted to reinstate my license

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and then immediately voted to suspend it for another year. During this entire time I was being monitored by an entity of the Department of Community and Economic Development. After that year suspension the board finally accepted a memorandum of agreement and I was able to have my license renewed. It took me over six months after my license being active before I could even find employment even though I was beating the streets daily. One of the clinics that I applied to had actually hired me, signed a collaborative plan that was to be submitted to the medical board, and then the following day after reading a copy of my Memorandum of Agreement (that I am required to give to any of my employers) backed out of the agreement and made an excuse about why he could not hire me at that time. I have reviewed these events not to obtain sympathy from you, nor to self justify my feelings toward the actions of this board in the past, but to enlighten you as to what has transpired over the past 7 1/2 years. I am now 60 years old, without a steady means of employment, recently diagnosed with a potentially fatal disease, unable to complete the requirements for this board in order for my idea for a business venture to come to fruition due to the lack of willingness to participate as a collaborative physician by those physicians approached in the Anchorage area. I therefore would like to suggest some things that the board can consider to help me be successful in working in the profession that I worked so hard for.

At the last meeting that I attended, I requested some minor changes in the memorandum of agreement that would enable me to get started in my new business venture. At this time I would like to make some suggestions that might make this board feel more comfortable.

1. Dismiss the remaining portion of my memorandum of agreement since I have already satisfied the usual and customary length of supervision required by either the nursing or the medical boards. Or,

2. Allow my alternate collaborative physician to be outside of the Anchorage area with the caveat that I maintain face-to-face contact with my primary collaborative physician at least once a week via a video link between myself and the primary physician. A face-to-face meeting in person would be necessary at least once a quarter. I would be more than willing to have a face-to-face meeting with the medical board investigator in charge of my case as frequently as once a week in addition to the requirements already set forth in the current memorandum of agreement.

I have maintained in the past that this board is operating outside the guidelines of the American With Disabilities Act concerning the treatment of recovering alcoholics and addicts such as myself. I have included with this letter an attachment from the Department of Justice concerning Title II of the ADA. I strongly suggest that you review this, especially the highlighted areas so that you may understand why I have been so frustrated with my treatment by this board so far. I am not asking for sympathy, I am not trying to make excuses, and I am not expecting anything to be done outside of what is legally right. In the past I have been criticized for my outspoken nature. It is not within this board's jurisdiction to have their decisions be influenced by my right to free speech. I have always done my best to be compliant to the demands made of me, albeit at times with prejudice; and I have always maintained professionalism in my actions and responses. I AM NOW FORMALLY REQUESTING REASONABLE ACCOMADATION UNDER TITLE II OF THE ADA.

Sincerely,



John Winczura RN, PA-C
Anchorage Housecall Medicine LLC

cc: Governor Sarah Palin
Emil Notti, Commissioner DCED

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Attorney General

28 CFR PART 35

[Order No.]

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule implements subtitle A of title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Pub. L. 101-336, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities. Subtitle A protects qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all State and local governments. It extends the prohibition of discrimination in federally assisted programs established by section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to all activities of State and local governments, including those that do not receive Federal financial assistance, and incorporates specific prohibitions of discrimination on the basis of disability from titles I, III, and V of the Americans with Disabilities Act. This rule, therefore, adopts the general prohibitions of discrimination established under section 504, as well as the requirements for making programs accessible to individuals with disabilities and for providing equally effective communications. It also sets forth standards for what constitutes discrimination on the basis of mental or physical disability, provides a definition of disability and qualified individual with a disability, and establishes a complaint mechanism for resolving allegations of discrimination.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 26, 1992.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.

The landmark Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA" or "the Act"), enacted on July 26, 1990, provides comprehensive civil rights protections to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, State and local government services, and telecommunications.

This regulation implements subtitle A of title II of the ADA, which applies to State and local governments. Most programs and activities of State and local governments are recipients of Federal financial assistance from one or more Federal funding agencies and, therefore, are already covered by section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794) ("section 504"), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in federally assisted programs and activities. Because title II of the ADA essentially extends the nondiscrimination mandate of section 504 to those State and local governments that do not receive Federal financial assistance, this rule hews closely to the provisions of existing section 504 regulations. This approach is also based on section 204 of the ADA, which provides that the regulations issued by the Attorney General to implement title II shall be consistent with the ADA and with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare's coordination regulation, now codified at 28 CFR Part 41, and, with respect to "program accessibility, existing facilities," and "communications," with the Department of Justice's regulation for its federally conducted programs and activities, codified at 28 CFR Part 39.

The first regulation implementing section 504 was issued in 1977 by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) for the programs and activities to which it provided Federal financial assistance. The following year, pursuant to Executive Order 11914, HEW issued its coordination regulation for federally assisted programs, which served as the model for regulations issued by the other Federal agencies that administer grant programs. HEW's coordination authority, and the coordination regulation issued under that authority, were transferred to the Department of Justice by Executive Order 12250 in 1980.

In 1978, Congress extended application of section 504 to programs and activities conducted by Federal Executive agencies and the United States Postal Service. Pursuant to Executive Order 12250, the Department of Justice developed a prototype regulation to implement the 1978 amendment for federally conducted programs and activities. More than 80 Federal agencies have now issued final regulations based on that prototype, prohibiting discrimination based on handicap in the programs and activities they conduct.

Despite the large number of regulations implementing section 504 for federally assisted and federally conducted programs and activities, there is very little variation in their substantive requirements, or even in their language. Major portions of this regulation, therefore, are taken directly from the existing regulations.

In addition, section 204(b) of the ADA requires that the Department's regulation implementing subtitle A of title II be consistent with the ADA. Thus, the Department's final regulation includes provisions and concepts from titles I and III of the ADA.

Rulemaking History.

On February 22, 1991, the Department of Justice published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) implementing title III of the ADA in the *Federal Register*. 56 FR 7452. On February 28, 1991, the Department published a notice of proposed rulemaking implementing subtitle A of title II of the ADA in the *Federal Register*. 56 FR 8538. Each NPRM solicited comments on the definitions, standards, and procedures of the proposed rules. By the April 29, 1991, close of the comment period of the NPRM for title II, the Department had received 2,718 comments. Following the close of the comment period, the Department received an additional 222 comments.

In order to encourage public participation in the development of the Department's rules under the ADA, the Department held four public hearings. Hearings were held in Dallas, Texas on March 4-5, 1991, in Washington, D.C. on March 13-15, 1991, in San Francisco, California on March 18-19, 1991, and in Chicago, Illinois on March 27-28, 1991. At these hearings, 329 persons testified and 1,567 pages of testimony were compiled. Transcripts of the hearings were included in the Department's rulemaking docket.

The comments that the Department received occupy almost six feet of shelf space and contain over 10,000 pages. The Department received comments from individuals from all fifty States and the District of Columbia. Nearly 75% of the comments that the Department received came from individuals and from organizations representing the interests of persons with disabilities. The Department received 292 comments from entities covered by the ADA and trade associations representing businesses in the private sector, and 67 from government units, such as mayors' offices, public school districts, and various State agencies working with individuals with disabilities.

The Department received one comment from a consortium of 540 organizations representing a broad spectrum of persons with disabilities. In addition, at least another 25 commenters endorsed the position expressed by this consortium, or submitted identical comments on one or both proposed regulations.

An organization representing persons with hearing impairments submitted a large number of comments. This organization presented the Department with 479 individual comments, each providing in chart form a detailed representation of what type of auxiliary aid or service would be useful in the various categories of places of public accommodation.

The Department received a number of comments based on almost ten different form letters. For example, individuals who have a heightened sensitivity to a variety of chemical substances submitted 266 post cards detailing how exposure to various environmental conditions restricts their access to public and commercial buildings. Another large group of form letters came from groups affiliated with independent living centers.

The vast majority of the comments addressed the Department's proposal implementing title III. Slightly more than 100 comments addressed only issues presented in the proposed title II regulation.

The Department read and analyzed each comment that was submitted in a timely fashion. Transcripts of the four hearings were analyzed along with the written comments. The decisions that the Department has made in response to these comments, however, were not made on the basis of the number of commenters addressing any one point but on a thorough consideration of the merits of the points of view expressed in the comments. Copies of the written comments, including transcripts of the four hearings, will remain available for public inspection in Room 854 of the HOLC Building, 320 First Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, until August 30, 1991.

Overview of the Rule.

The rule is organized into seven subparts. Subpart A, "General," includes the purpose and application sections, describes the relationship of the Act to other laws, and defines key terms used in the regulation. It also includes administrative requirements adapted from section 504 regulations for self-evaluations, notices, designation of responsible employees, and adoption of grievance procedures by public entities.

Subpart B, "General Requirements," contains the general prohibitions of discrimination based on the Act and the section 504 regulations. It also contains certain "miscellaneous" provisions derived from title V of the Act that involve issues such as retaliation and coercion against those asserting ADA rights, illegal use of drugs, and restrictions on smoking. These provisions are also included in the Department's proposed title III regulation, as is the general provision on maintenance of accessible features.

Subpart C addresses employment by public entities, which is also covered by title I of the Act. Subpart D, which is also based on the section 504 regulations, sets out the requirements for program accessibility in existing facilities and for new construction and alterations. Subpart E contains specific requirements relating to communications.

Subpart F establishes administrative procedures for enforcement of title II. As provided by section 203 of the Act, these are based on the procedures for enforcement of section 504, which, in turn, are based on the enforcement procedures for title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4a). Subpart F also restates the provisions of title V of the ADA on attorneys fees, alternative means of dispute resolution, the effect of unavailability of technical assistance, and State immunity.

Subpart G designates the Federal agencies responsible for investigation of complaints under this part. It assigns enforcement responsibility for particular public entities, on the basis of their major functions, to eight Federal agencies that currently have substantial responsibilities for enforcing section 504. It provides that the Department of Justice would have enforcement responsibility for all State and local government entities not

specifically assigned to other designated agencies, but that the Department may further assign specific functions to other agencies. The part would not, however, displace the existing enforcement authorities of the Federal funding agencies under section 504.

Regulatory Process Matters.

This final rule has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12291. The Department is preparing a final regulatory impact analysis (RIA) of this rule and the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board is preparing an RIA for its Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities (ADAAG) that are incorporated in Appendix A of the Department's final rule implementing title III of the ADA. Draft copies of both preliminary RIAs are available for comment; the Department will provide copies of these documents to the public upon request. Commenters are urged to provide additional information as to the costs and benefits associated with this rule. This will facilitate the development of a final RIA by January 1, 1992.

The Department's RIA will evaluate the economic impact of the final rule. Included among those title II provisions that are likely to result in significant economic impact are the requirements for auxiliary aids, barrier removal in existing facilities, and readily accessible new construction and alterations. An analysis of these costs will be included in the RIA.

The Preliminary RIA prepared for the notice of proposed rulemaking contained all of the available information that would have been included in a preliminary regulatory flexibility analysis, had one been prepared under the Regulatory Flexibility Act, concerning the rule's impact on small entities. The final RIA will contain all of the information that is required in a final regulatory flexibility analysis and will serve as such an analysis. Moreover, the extensive notice and comment procedure followed by the Department in the promulgation of this rule, which included public hearings, dissemination of materials, and provision of speakers to affected groups, clearly provided any interested small entities with the notice and opportunity for comment provided for under the Regulatory Flexibility Act procedures.

The Department is preparing a statement of the federalism impact of the rule under Executive Order 12612 and will provide copies of this statement on request.

The reporting and recordkeeping requirements described in the rule are considered to be information collection requirements as that term is defined by the Office of Management and Budget in 5 CFR Part 1320. Accordingly, those information collection requirements have been submitted to OMB for review pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS:

Subpart A -- General

§35.101 Purpose.

Section 35.101 states the purpose of the rule, which is to effectuate subtitle A of title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (the Act), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities. This part does not, however, apply to matters within the scope of the authority of the Secretary of Transportation under subtitle B of title II of the Act.

§35.102 Application.

This provision specifies that, except as provided in paragraph (b), the regulation applies to all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, as that term is defined in §35.104. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in federally assisted programs and activities, already covers those programs and activities of public entities that receive Federal financial assistance. Title II of the ADA extends this prohibition of discrimination to include all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by State and local governments or any of their instrumentalities or agencies, regardless of the receipt of Federal financial assistance. Except as provided in §35.134, this part does not apply to private entities.

The scope of title II's coverage of public entities is comparable to the coverage of Federal Executive agencies under the 1978 amendment to section 504, which extended section 504's application to all programs and activities "conducted by" Federal Executive agencies, in that title II applies to anything a public entity does. Title II coverage, however, is not limited to "Executive" agencies, but includes activities of the legislative and judicial branches of State and local governments. All governmental activities of public entities are covered, even if they are carried out by contractors. For example, a State is obligated by title II to ensure that the services, programs, and activities of a State park inn operated under contract by a private entity are in compliance with title II's requirements. The private entity operating the inn would also be subject to the obligations of public accommodations under title III of the Act and the Department's title III regulations at 28 CFR Part 36.

Aside from employment, which is also covered by title I of the Act, there are two major categories of programs or activities covered by this regulation: those involving general public contact as part of ongoing operations of the entity and those directly administered by the entities for program beneficiaries and participants. Activities in the first category include communication with the public (telephone contacts, office walk-ins, or interviews) and the public's use of the entity's facilities. Activities in the second category include programs that provide State or local government services or benefits.

Paragraph (b) of §35.102 explains that to the extent that the public transportation services, programs, and activities of public entities are covered by subtitle B of title II of the Act, they are subject to the regulation of the Department of Transportation (DOT) at 49 CFR Part 37, and are not covered by this part. The Department of Transportation's

ADA regulation establishes specific requirements for construction of transportation facilities and acquisition of vehicles. Matters not covered by subtitle B, such as the provision of auxiliary aids, are covered by this rule. For example, activities that are covered by the Department of Transportation's regulation implementing subtitle B are not required to be included in the self-evaluation required by §35.105. In addition, activities not specifically addressed by DOT's ADA regulation may be covered by DOT's regulation implementing section 504 for its federally assisted programs and activities at 49 CFR Part 27. Like other programs of public entities that are also recipients of Federal financial assistance, those programs would be covered by both the section 504 regulation and this part. Although airports operated by public entities are not subject to DOT's ADA regulation, they are subject to subpart A of title II and to this rule.

Some commenters asked for clarification about the responsibilities of public school systems under section 504 and the ADA with respect to programs, services, and activities that are not covered by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), including, for example, programs open to parents or to the public, graduation ceremonies, parent-teacher organization meetings, plays and other events open to the public, and adult education classes. Public school systems must comply with the ADA in all of their services, programs, or activities, including those that are open to parents or to the public. For instance, public school systems must provide program accessibility to parents and guardians with disabilities to these programs, activities, or services, and appropriate auxiliary aids and services whenever necessary to ensure effective communication, as long as the provision of the auxiliary aids results neither in an undue burden or in a fundamental alteration of the program.

§35.103 Relationship to other laws.

Section 35.103 is derived from sections 501(a) and (b) of the ADA. Paragraph (a) of this section provides that, except as otherwise specifically provided by this part, title II of the ADA is not intended to apply lesser standards than are required under title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 790-94), or the regulations implementing that title. The standards of title V of the Rehabilitation Act apply for purposes of the ADA to the extent that the ADA has not explicitly adopted a different standard than title V. Because title II of the ADA essentially extends the antidiscrimination prohibition embodied in section 504 to all actions of State and local governments, the standards adopted in this part are generally the same as those required under section 504 for federally assisted programs. Title II, however, also incorporates those provisions of titles I and III of the ADA that are not inconsistent with the regulations implementing section 504. Judiciary Committee report, H.R. Rep. No. 485, 101st Cong., 2d Sess., pt. 3, at 51 (1990) [hereinafter "Judiciary report"]; Education and Labor Committee report, H.R. Rep. No. 485, 101st Cong., 2d Sess., pt. 2, at 84 (1990) [hereinafter "Education and Labor report"]. Therefore, this part also includes appropriate provisions derived from the regulations implementing those titles. The inclusion of specific language in this part, however, should not be interpreted as an indication that a requirement is not included under a regulation implementing section 504.

Paragraph (b) makes clear that Congress did not intend to displace any of the rights or remedies provided by other Federal laws (including section 504) or other State laws (including State common law) that provide greater or equal protection to individuals with disabilities. As discussed above, the standards adopted by title II of the ADA for State and local government services are generally the same as those required under section 504 for federally assisted programs and activities. Subpart F of the regulation establishes compliance procedures for processing complaints covered by both this part and section 504.

With respect to State law, a plaintiff may choose to pursue claims under a State law that does not confer greater substantive rights, or even confers fewer substantive rights, if the alleged violation is protected under the alternative law and the remedies are greater. For example, a person with a physical disability could seek damages under a State law that allows compensatory and punitive damages for discrimination on the basis of physical disability, but not on the basis of mental disability. In that situation, the State law would provide narrower coverage, by excluding mental disabilities, but broader remedies, and an individual covered by both laws could choose to bring an action under both laws. Moreover, State tort claims confer greater remedies and are not preempted by the ADA. A plaintiff may join a State tort claim to a case brought under the ADA. In such a case, the plaintiff must, of course, prove all the elements of the State tort claim in order to prevail under that cause of action.

§35.104 Definitions.

"Act." The word "Act" is used in this part to refer to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-336, which is also referred to as the "ADA."

"Assistant Attorney General." The term "Assistant Attorney General" refers to the Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

"Auxiliary aids and services." Auxiliary aids and services include a wide range of services and devices for ensuring effective communication. The proposed definition in §35.104 provided a list of examples of auxiliary aids and services that was taken from the definition of auxiliary aids and services in section 3(1) of the ADA and was supplemented by examples from regulations implementing section 504 in federally conducted programs (see 28 CFR 39.103).

A substantial number of commenters suggested that additional examples be added to this list. The Department has added several items to this list but wishes to clarify that the list is not an all-inclusive or exhaustive catalogue of possible or available auxiliary aids or services. It is not possible to provide an exhaustive list, and an attempt to do so would omit the new devices that will become available with emerging technology.

Subparagraph (1) lists several examples, which would be considered auxiliary aids and services to make aurally delivered materials available to individuals with hearing impairments. The Department has changed the phrase used in the proposed rules, "orally

delivered materials," to the statutory phrase, "aurally delivered materials," to track section 3 of the ADA and to include non-verbal sounds and alarms, and computer generated speech.

The Department has added videotext displays, transcription services, and closed and open captioning to the list of examples. Videotext displays have become an important means of accessing auditory communications through a public address system. Transcription services are used to relay aurally delivered material almost simultaneously in written form to persons who are deaf or hearing-impaired. This technology is often used at conferences, conventions, and hearings. While the proposed rule expressly included television decoder equipment as an auxiliary aid or service, it did not mention captioning itself. The final rule rectifies this omission by mentioning both closed and open captioning.

Several persons and organizations requested that the Department replace the term "telecommunications devices for deaf persons" or "TDD's" with the term "text telephone." The Department has declined to do so. The Department is aware that the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (ATBCB) has used the phrase "text telephone" in lieu of the statutory term "TDD" in its final accessibility guidelines. Title IV of the ADA, however, uses the term "Telecommunications Device for the Deaf" and the Department believes it would be inappropriate to abandon this statutory term at this time.

Several commenters urged the Department to include in the definition of "auxiliary aids and services" devices that are now available or that may become available with emerging technology. The Department declines to do so in the rule. The Department, however, emphasizes that, although the definition would include "state of the art" devices, public entities are not required to use the newest or most advanced technologies as long as the auxiliary aid or service that is selected affords effective communication.

Subparagraph (2) lists examples of aids and services for making visually delivered materials accessible to persons with visual impairments. Many commenters proposed additional examples, such as signage or mapping, audio description services, secondary auditory programs, telebrailers, and reading machines. While the Department declines to add these items to the list, they are auxiliary aids and services and may be appropriate depending on the circumstances.

Subparagraph (3) refers to acquisition or modification of equipment or devices. Several commenters suggested the addition of current technological innovations in microelectronics and computerized control systems (e.g., voice recognition systems, automatic dialing telephones, and infrared elevator and light control systems) to the list of auxiliary aids. The Department interprets auxiliary aids and services as those aids and services designed to provide effective communications, i.e., making aurally and visually delivered information available to persons with hearing, speech, and vision impairments. Methods of making services, programs, or activities accessible to, or usable by, individuals with mobility or manual dexterity impairments are addressed by other

sections of this part, including the provision for modifications in policies, practices, or procedures (§35.130(b)(7)).

Paragraph (b)(4) deals with other similar services and actions. Several commenters asked for clarification that "similar services and actions" include retrieving items from shelves, assistance in reaching a marginally accessible seat, pushing a barrier aside in order to provide an accessible route, or assistance in removing a sweater or coat. While retrieving an item from a shelf might be an "auxiliary aid or service" for a blind person who could not locate the item without assistance, it might be a method of providing program access for a person using a wheelchair who could not reach the shelf, or a reasonable modification to a self-service policy for an individual who lacked the ability to grasp the item. As explained above, auxiliary aids and services are those aids and services required to provide effective communications. Other forms of assistance are more appropriately addressed by other provisions of the final rule.

"Complete complaint." "Complete complaint" is defined to include all the information necessary to enable the Federal agency designated under subpart G as responsible for investigation of a complaint to initiate its investigation.

"Current illegal use of drugs." The phrase "current illegal use of drugs" is used in §35.131. Its meaning is discussed in the preamble for that section.

"Designated agency." The term "designated agency" is used to refer to the Federal agency designated under subpart G of this rule as responsible for carrying out the administrative enforcement responsibilities established by subpart F of the rule.

"Disability." The definition of the term "disability" is the same as the definition in the title III regulation codified at 28 CFR Part 36. It is comparable to the definition of the term "individual with handicaps" in section 7(8) of the Rehabilitation Act and section 802(h) of the Fair Housing Act. The Education and Labor Committee report makes clear that the analysis of the term "individual with handicaps" by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) in its regulations implementing section 504 (42 FR 22685 (May 4, 1977)) and the analysis by the Department of Housing and Urban Development in its regulation implementing the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (54 FR 3232 (Jan. 23, 1989)) should also apply fully to the term "disability" (Education and Labor report at 50).

The use of the term "disability" instead of "handicap" and the term "individual with a disability" instead of "individual with handicaps" represents an effort by Congress to make use of up-to-date, currently accepted terminology. As with racial and ethnic epithets, the choice of terms to apply to a person with a disability is overlaid with stereotypes, patronizing attitudes, and other emotional connotations. Many individuals with disabilities, and organizations representing such individuals, object to the use of such terms as "handicapped person" or "the handicapped." In other recent legislation, Congress also recognized this shift in terminology, e.g., by changing the name of the

National Council on the Handicapped to the National Council on Disability (Pub. L. 100-630).

In enacting the Americans with Disabilities Act, Congress concluded that it was important for the current legislation to use terminology most in line with the sensibilities of most Americans with disabilities. No change in definition or substance is intended nor should one be attributed to this change in phraseology.

The term "disability" means, with respect to an individual -

- (A) A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual;
- (B) A record of such an impairment; or
- (C) Being regarded as having such an impairment.

If an individual meets any one of these three tests, he or she is considered to be an individual with a disability for purposes of coverage under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Congress adopted this same basic definition of "disability," first used in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and in the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, for a number of reasons. First, it has worked well since it was adopted in 1974. Second, it would not be possible to guarantee comprehensiveness by providing a list of specific disabilities, especially because new disorders may be recognized in the future, as they have since the definition was first established in 1974.

Test A -- A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual

Physical or mental impairment. Under the first test, an individual must have a physical or mental impairment. As explained in paragraph (1)(i) of the definition, "impairment" means any physiological disorder or condition, cosmetic disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems: neurological; musculoskeletal; special sense organs (which would include speech organs that are not respiratory such as vocal cords, soft palate, tongue, etc.); respiratory, including speech organs; cardiovascular; reproductive; digestive; genitourinary; hemic and lymphatic; skin; and endocrine. It also means any mental or psychological disorder, such as mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disabilities. This list closely tracks the one used in the regulations for section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (see, e.g., 45 CFR 84.3(j)(2)(i)).

Many commenters asked that "traumatic brain injury" be added to the list in paragraph (1)(i). Traumatic brain injury is already included because it is a physiological condition affecting one of the listed body systems, i.e., "neurological." Therefore, it was

unnecessary to add the term to the regulation, which only provides representative examples of physiological disorders.

It is not possible to include a list of all the specific conditions, contagious and noncontagious diseases, or infections that would constitute physical or mental impairments because of the difficulty of ensuring the comprehensiveness of such a list, particularly in light of the fact that other conditions or disorders may be identified in the future. However, the list of examples in paragraph (1)(ii) of the definition includes: orthopedic, visual, speech and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, mental retardation, emotional illness, specific learning disabilities, HIV disease (symptomatic or asymptomatic), tuberculosis, ~~hepatitis B, and AIDS~~. The phrase "symptomatic or asymptomatic" was inserted in the final rule after "HIV disease" in response to commenters who suggested the clarification was necessary.

The examples of "physical or mental impairments" in paragraph (1)(ii) are the same as those contained in many section 504 regulations, except for the addition of the phrase "contagious and noncontagious" to describe the types of diseases and conditions included, and the addition of "HIV disease (symptomatic or asymptomatic)" and "tuberculosis" to the list of examples. These additions are based on the committee reports, caselaw, and official legal opinions interpreting section 504. In *School Board of Nassau County v. Arline*, 480 U.S. 273 (1987), a case involving an individual with tuberculosis, the Supreme Court held that people with contagious diseases are entitled to the protections afforded by section 504. Following the *Arline* decision, this Department's Office of Legal Counsel issued a legal opinion that concluded that symptomatic HIV disease is an impairment that substantially limits a major life activity; therefore it has been included in the definition of disability under this part. The opinion also concluded that asymptomatic HIV disease is an impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, either because of its actual effect on the individual with HIV disease or because the reactions of other people to individuals with HIV disease cause such individuals to be treated as though they are disabled. See Memorandum from Douglas W. Kmiec, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice, to Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr., Counsel to the President (Sept. 27, 1988), reprinted in Hearings on S. 933, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Before the Subcomm. on the Handicapped of the Senate Comm. on Labor and Human Resources, 101st. Cong., 1st Sess. 346 (1989).

Paragraph (1)(iii) states that the phrase "physical or mental impairment" does not include homosexuality or bisexuality. These conditions were never considered impairments under other Federal disability laws. Section 511(a) of the statute makes clear that they are likewise not to be considered impairments under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Physical or mental impairment does not include simple physical characteristics, such as blue eyes or black hair.

Nor does it include environmental, cultural, economic, or other disadvantages, such as having a prison record, or being poor.

Nor is age a disability. Similarly, the definition does not include common personality traits such as poor judgment or a quick temper where these are not symptoms of a mental or psychological disorder. However, a person who has these characteristics and also has a physical or mental impairment may be considered as having a disability for purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act based on the impairment.

Substantial limitation of a major life activity. Under Test A, the impairment must be one that "substantially limits a major life activity." Major life activities include such things as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working.

For example, a person who is paraplegic is substantially limited in the major life activity of walking, a person who is blind is substantially limited in the major life activity of seeing, and a person who is mentally retarded is substantially limited in the major life activity of learning. A person with traumatic brain injury is substantially limited in the major life activities of caring for one's self, learning, and working because of memory deficit, confusion, contextual difficulties, and inability to reason appropriately.

A person is considered an individual with a disability for purposes of Test A, the first prong of the definition, when the individual's important life activities are restricted as to the conditions, manner, or duration under which they can be performed in comparison to most people. A person with a minor, trivial impairment, such as a simple infected finger, is not impaired in a major life activity. A person who can walk for 10 miles continuously is not substantially limited in walking merely because, on the eleventh mile, he or she begins to experience pain, because most people would not be able to walk eleven miles without experiencing some discomfort.

The Department received many comments on the proposed rule's inclusion of the word "temporary" in the definition of "disability." The preamble indicated that impairments are not necessarily excluded from the definition of "disability" simply because they are temporary, but that the duration, or expected duration, of an impairment is one factor that may properly be considered in determining whether the impairment substantially limits a major life activity. The preamble recognized, however, that temporary impairments, such as a broken leg, are not commonly regarded as disabilities, and only in rare circumstances would the degree of the limitation and its expected duration be substantial. Nevertheless, many commenters objected to inclusion of the word "temporary" both because it is not in the statute and because it is not contained in the definition of "disability" set forth in the title I regulations of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). The word "temporary" has been deleted from the final rule to conform with the statutory language.

The question of whether a temporary impairment is a disability must be resolved on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration both the duration (or expected duration) of the impairment and the extent to which it actually limits a major life activity of the affected individual.

The question of whether a person has a disability should be assessed without regard to the availability of mitigating measures, such as reasonable modifications or auxiliary aids and services. For example, a person with hearing loss is substantially limited in the major life activity of hearing, even though the loss may be improved through the use of a hearing aid. Likewise, persons with impairments, such as epilepsy or diabetes, that substantially limit a major life activity, are covered under the first prong of the definition of disability, even if the effects of the impairment are controlled by medication.

Many commenters asked that environmental illness (also known as multiple chemical sensitivity) as well as allergy to cigarette smoke be recognized as disabilities. The Department, however, declines to state categorically that these the determination as to whether an impairment is a disability depends on whether, given the particular circumstances at issue, the impairment substantially limits one or more major life activities (or has a history of, or is regarded as having such an effect).

Sometimes respiratory or neurological functioning is so severely affected that an individual will satisfy the requirements to be considered disabled under the regulation. Such an individual would be entitled to all of the protections afforded by the Act and this part. In other cases, individuals may be sensitive to environmental elements or to smoke but their sensitivity will not rise to the level needed to constitute a disability. For example, their major life activity of breathing may be somewhat, but not substantially, impaired. In such circumstances, the individuals are not disabled and are not entitled to the protections of the statute despite their sensitivity to environmental agents.

In sum, the determination as to whether allergies to cigarette smoke, or allergies or sensitivities characterized by the commenters as environmental illness are disabilities covered by the regulation must be made using the same case-by-case analysis that is applied to all other physical or mental impairments. Moreover, the addition of specific regulatory provisions relating to environmental illness in the final rule would be inappropriate at this time pending future consideration of the issue by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the Department of Labor.

Test B -- A record of such an impairment

This test is intended to cover those who have a record of an impairment. As explained in paragraph (3) of the rule's definition of disability, this includes a person who has a history of an impairment that substantially limited a major life activity, such as someone who has recovered from an impairment. It also includes persons who have been misclassified as having an impairment.

This provision is included in the definition in part to protect individuals who have recovered from a physical or mental impairment that previously substantially limited them in a major life activity. ~~Discrimination based on a past impairment is prohibited.~~ Frequently occurring examples of the first group (those who have a history of an impairment) are persons with histories of mental or emotional illness, heart disease, or

cancer; examples of the second group (those who have been misclassified as having an impairment) are persons who have been misclassified as having mental retardation or mental illness.

Test C -- Being regarded as having such an impairment

This test, as contained in paragraph (4) of the definition, is intended to cover persons who are treated by a public entity as having a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity. It applies when a person is treated as if he or she has an impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, regardless of whether that person has an impairment.

The Americans with Disabilities Act uses the same "regarded as" test set forth in the regulations implementing section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. *See, e.g.*, 28 CFR 42.540(k)(2)(iv), which provides:

(iv) "Is regarded as having an impairment" means (A) Has a physical or mental impairment that does not substantially limit major life activities but that is treated by a recipient as constituting such a limitation; (B) Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits major life activities only as a result of the attitudes of others toward such impairment; or (C) Has none of the impairments defined in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of this section but is treated by a recipient as having such an impairment.

The perception of the covered entity is a key element of this test. A person who perceives himself or herself to have an impairment, but does not have an impairment, and is not treated as if he or she has an impairment, is not protected under this test.

A person would be covered under this test if a public entity refused to serve the person because it perceived that the person had an impairment that limited his or her enjoyment of the goods or services being offered.

For example, persons with severe burns often encounter discrimination in community activities, resulting in substantial limitation of major life activities. These persons would be covered under this test based on the attitudes of others towards the impairment, even if they did not view themselves as "impaired."

The rationale for this third test, as used in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, was articulated by the Supreme Court in *Arline*, 480 U.S. 273 (1987). The Court noted that although an individual may have an impairment that does not in fact substantially limit a major life activity, the reaction of others may prove just as disabling. "[S]uch a reaction may be based on the fact that the individual has a physical or mental impairment, or on the fact that the individual is perceived to have such an impairment, or on the fact that the individual is regarded as having such an impairment." *Id.* at 283. The Court concluded that, by including this test in the Rehabilitation Act's definition, "Congress acknowledged that persons with actual disabilities and persons who are perceived to have such disabilities are both protected by the Act." *Id.* at 284.

Thus, a person who is denied services or benefits by a public entity because of myths, fears, and stereotypes associated with disabilities would be covered under this third test whether or not the person's physical or mental condition would be considered a disability under the first or second test in the definition.

If a person is refused admittance on the basis of an actual or perceived physical or mental condition, and the public entity can articulate no legitimate reason for the refusal (such as failure to meet eligibility criteria), a perceived concern about admitting persons with disabilities could be inferred and the individual would qualify for coverage under the "regarded as" test. A person who is covered because of being regarded as having an impairment is not required to show that the public entity's perception is inaccurate (e.g., that he will be accepted by others) in order to receive benefits from the public entity.

Paragraph (5) of the definition lists certain conditions that are not included within the definition of "disability." The excluded conditions are: transvestism, transsexualism, pedophilia, exhibitionism, voyeurism, gender identity disorders not resulting from physical impairments, other sexual behavior disorders, compulsive gambling, kleptomania, pyromania, and psychoactive substance use disorders resulting from current illegal use of drugs. Unlike homosexuality and bisexuality, which are not considered impairments under either section 504 or the Americans with Disabilities Act (see the definition of "disability," paragraph (1)(iv)), the conditions listed in paragraph (5), except for transvestism, are not necessarily excluded as impairments under section 504. (Transvestism was excluded from the definition of disability for section 504 by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-430, section 6(b)).

"Drug." The definition of the term "drug" is taken from section 510(d)(2) of the ADA.

"Facility." "Facility" means all or any portion of buildings, structures, sites, complexes, equipment, rolling stock or other conveyances, roads, walks, passageways, parking lots, or other real or personal property, including the site where the building, property, structure, or equipment is located. It includes both indoor and outdoor areas where human-constructed improvements, structures, equipment, or property have been added to the natural environment.

Commenters raised questions about the applicability of this part to activities operated in mobile facilities, such as bookmobiles or mobile health screening units. Such activities would be covered by the requirement for program accessibility in §35.150, and would be included in the definition of "facility" as "other real or personal property," although standards for new construction and alterations of such facilities are not yet included in the accessibility standards adopted by §35.151. Sections 35.150 and 35.151 specifically address the obligations of public entities to ensure accessibility by providing curb ramps at pedestrian walkways.

"Historic preservation programs" and "Historic properties" are defined in order to aid in the interpretation of §35.150(a)(2) and (b)(2), which relate to accessibility of historic

preservation programs, and §35.151(d), which relates to the alteration of historic properties.

"Illegal use of drugs." The definition of "illegal use of drugs" is taken from section 510(d)(1) of the Act and clarifies that the term includes the illegal use of one or more drugs.

"Individual with a disability" means a person who has a disability but does not include an individual who is currently illegally using drugs, when the public entity acts on the basis of such use. The phrase "current illegal use of drugs" is explained in §35.131.

"Public entity." The term "public entity" is defined in accordance with section 201(1) of the ADA as any State or local government; any department, agency, special purpose district, or other instrumentality of a State or States or local government; or the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, and any commuter authority (as defined in section 103(8) of the Rail Passenger Service Act).

"Qualified individual with a disability." The definition of "qualified individual with a disability" is taken from section 201(2) of the Act, which is derived from the definition of "qualified handicapped person" in the Department of Health and Human Services' regulation implementing section 504 (45 CFR §84.3(k)). It combines the definition at 45 CFR 84.3(k)(1) for employment ("a handicapped person who, with reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job in question") with the definition for other services at 45 CFR 84.3(k)(4) ("a handicapped person who meets the essential eligibility requirements for the receipt of such services").

Some commenters requested clarification of the term "essential eligibility requirements." Because of the variety of situations in which an individual's qualifications will be at issue, it is not possible to include more specific criteria in the definition. The "essential eligibility requirements" for participation in some activities covered under this part may be minimal. For example, most public entities provide information about their operations as a public service to anyone who requests it. In such situations, the only "eligibility requirement" for receipt of such information would be the request for it. Where such information is provided by telephone, even the ability to use a voice telephone is not an "essential eligibility requirement," because §35.161 requires a public entity to provide equally effective telecommunication systems for individuals with impaired hearing or speech.

For other activities, identification of the "essential eligibility requirements" may be more complex. Where questions of safety are involved, the principles established in §36.208 of the Department's regulation implementing title III of the ADA, to be codified at 28 CFR Part 36, will be applicable. That section implements section 302(b)(3) of the Act, which provides that a public accommodation is not required to permit an individual to participate in or benefit from the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages and accommodations of the public accommodation, if that individual poses a ~~direct threat~~ to the health or safety of others.

A [redacted] is a significant risk to the health or safety of others that cannot be eliminated by a modification of policies, practices, or procedures, or by the provision of auxiliary aids or services. In *School Board of Nassau County v. Arline*, 480 U.S. 273 (1987), the Supreme Court recognized that there is a need to balance the interests of people with disabilities against legitimate concerns for public safety. Although persons with disabilities are generally entitled to the protection of this part, a person who poses a significant risk to others will not be "qualified." [redacted]

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This is the test established by the Supreme Court in *Arline*. Such an inquiry is essential if the law is to achieve its goal of protecting disabled individuals from discrimination based on prejudice, stereotypes, or unfounded fear, while giving appropriate weight to legitimate concerns, such as the need to avoid exposing others to significant health and safety risks. Making this assessment will not usually require the services of a physician. Sources for medical knowledge include guidance from public health authorities, such as the U.S. Public Health Service, the Centers for Disease Control, and the National Institutes of Health, including the National Institute of Mental Health.

"Qualified interpreter." The Department received substantial comment regarding the lack of a definition of "qualified interpreter." The proposed rule defined auxiliary aids and services to include the statutory term, "qualified interpreters" (§35.104), but did not define it. Section 35.160 requires the use of auxiliary aids including qualified interpreters and commenters stated that a lack of guidance on what the term means would create confusion among those trying to secure interpreting services and often result in less than effective communication.

Many commenters were concerned that, without clear guidance on the issue of "qualified" interpreter, the rule would be interpreted to mean "available, rather than qualified" interpreters. Some claimed that few public entities would understand the difference between a qualified interpreter and a person who simply knows a few signs or how to fingerspell.

In order to clarify what is meant by "qualified interpreter" the Department has added a definition of the term to the final rule. A qualified interpreter means an interpreter who is able to interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. This definition focuses on the actual ability of the interpreter in a particular interpreting context to facilitate effective communication between the public entity and the individual with disabilities.

Public comment also revealed that public entities have at times asked persons who are deaf to provide family members or friends to interpret. In certain circumstances, notwithstanding that the family member or friend is able to interpret or is a certified interpreter, the family member or friend may not be qualified to render the necessary interpretation because of factors such as emotional or personal involvement or considerations of confidentiality that may adversely affect the ability to interpret "effectively, accurately, and impartially."

The definition of "qualified interpreter" in this rule does not invalidate or limit standards for interpreting services of any State or local law that are equal to or more stringent than those imposed by this definition. For instance, the definition would not supersede any requirement of State law for use of a certified interpreter in court proceedings.

"Section 504." The Department added a definition of "section 504" because the term is used extensively in subpart F of this part.

"State." The definition of "State" is identical to the statutory definition in section 3(3) of the ADA.

§35.105 Self-evaluation.

Section 35.105 establishes a requirement, based on the section 504 regulations for federally assisted and federally conducted programs, that a public entity evaluate its current policies and practices to identify and correct any that are not consistent with the requirements of this part. As noted in the discussion of §35.102, activities covered by the Department of Transportation's regulation implementing subtitle B of title II are not required to be included in the self-evaluation required by this section.

Experience has demonstrated the self-evaluation process to be a valuable means of establishing a working relationship with individuals with disabilities, which has promoted both effective and efficient implementation of section 504. The Department expects that it will likewise be useful to public entities newly covered by the ADA.

~~All public entities are required to maintain a self-evaluation on file.~~ However, only those that employ 50 or more persons are required to maintain the self-evaluation on file and make it available for public inspection for three years. The number 50 was derived from the Department of Justice's section 504 regulations for federally assisted programs, 28 CFR 42.505(c). The Department received comments critical of this limitation, some suggesting the requirement apply to all public entities and others suggesting that the number be changed from 50 to 15. The final rule has not been changed. Although many regulations implementing section 504 for federally assisted programs do use 15 employees as the cut-off for this record-keeping requirement, the Department believes that it would be inappropriate to extend it to those smaller public entities covered by this regulation that do not receive Federal financial assistance. This approach has the benefit of minimizing paperwork burdens on small entities.

Paragraph (d) provides that the self-evaluation required by this section shall apply only to programs not subject to section 504 or those policies and practices, such as those involving communications access, that have not already been included in a self-evaluation required under an existing regulation implementing section 504. Because most self-evaluations were done from five to twelve years ago, however, the Department expects that a great many public entities will be reexamining all of their policies and programs. Programs and functions may have changed, and actions that were supposed to have been taken to comply with section 504 may not have been fully implemented or may no longer be effective. In addition, there have been statutory amendments to section 504 which have changed the coverage of section 504, particularly the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Pub. L. No. 100-259, 102 Stat. 28 (1988), which broadened the definition of a covered "program or activity."

Several commenters suggested that the Department clarify public entities' liability during the one-year period for compliance with the self-evaluation requirement. The self-evaluation requirement does not stay the effective date of the statute nor of this part. *Public entities are, therefore, not shielded from discrimination claims during that time.*

Other commenters suggested that the rule require that every self-evaluation include an examination of training efforts to assure that individuals with disabilities are not subjected to discrimination because of insensitivity, particularly in the law enforcement area. Although the Department has not added such a specific requirement to the rule, it would be appropriate for public entities to evaluate training efforts because, in many cases, lack of training leads to discriminatory practices, even when the policies in place are nondiscriminatory.

§35.106 Notice.

Section 35.106 requires a public entity to disseminate sufficient information to applicants, participants, beneficiaries, and other interested persons to inform them of the rights and protections afforded by the ADA and this regulation. Methods of providing this information include, for example, the publication of information in handbooks, manuals, and pamphlets that are distributed to the public to describe a public entity's programs and activities; the display of informative posters in service centers and other public places; or the broadcast of information by television or radio. In providing the notice, a public entity must comply with the requirements for effective communication in §35.160. The preamble to that section gives guidance on how to effectively communicate with individuals with disabilities.

§35.107 Designation of responsible employee and adoption of grievance procedures.

Consistent with §35.105, Self-evaluation, the final rule requires that public entities with 50 or more employees designate a responsible employee and adopt grievance procedures. Most of the commenters who suggested that the requirement that self-evaluation be maintained on file for three years not be limited to those employing 50 or more persons made a similar suggestion concerning §35.107. Commenters recommended either that all

public entities be subject to section 35.107, or that "50 or more persons" be changed to "15 or more persons." As explained in the discussion of §35.105, the Department has not adopted this suggestion.

The requirement for designation of an employee responsible for coordination of efforts to carry out responsibilities under this part is derived from the HEW regulation implementing section 504 in federally assisted programs. The requirement for designation of a particular employee and dissemination of information about how to locate that employee helps to ensure that individuals dealing with large agencies are able to easily find a responsible person who is familiar with the requirements of the Act and this part and can communicate those requirements to other individuals in the agency who may be unaware of their responsibilities. This paragraph in no way limits a public entity's obligation to ensure that all of its employees comply with the requirements of this part, but it ensures that any failure by individual employees can be promptly corrected by the designated employee.

Section 35.107(b) requires public entities with 50 or more employees to establish grievance procedures for resolving complaints of violations of this part. Similar requirements are found in the section 504 regulations for federally assisted programs (*see, e.g.*, 45 CFR 84.7(b)). The rule, like the regulations for federally assisted programs, provides for investigation and resolution of complaints by a Federal enforcement agency. *It is the view of the Department that public entities subject to this part should be required to establish a mechanism for resolution of complaints at the local level without requiring the complainant to resort to the Federal complaint procedures established under subpart F. Complainants would not, however, be required to exhaust the public entity's grievance procedures before filing a complaint under subpart F. Delay in filing the complaint at the Federal level caused by pursuit of the remedies available under the grievance procedure would generally be considered good cause for extending the time allowed for filing under §35.170(b).*

Subpart B – General Requirements

§35.130 General prohibitions against discrimination.

The general prohibitions against discrimination in the rule are generally based on the prohibitions in existing regulations implementing section 504 and, therefore, are already familiar to State and local entities covered by section 504. In addition, §35.130 includes a number of provisions derived from title III of the Act that are implicit to a certain degree in the requirements of regulations implementing section 504.

Several commenters suggested that this part should include the section of the proposed title III regulation that implemented section 309 of the Act, which requires that courses and examinations related to applications, licensing, certification, or credentialing be provided in an accessible place and manner or that alternative accessible arrangements be made. The Department has not adopted this suggestion. The requirements of this part, including the general prohibitions of discrimination in this section, the program access

requirements of subpart D, and the communications requirements of subpart E, apply to courses and examinations provided by public entities. The Department considers these requirements to be sufficient to ensure that courses and examinations administered by public entities meet the requirements of section 309. For example, a public entity offering an examination must ensure that modifications of policies, practices, or procedures or the provision of auxiliary aids and services furnish the individual with a disability an equal opportunity to demonstrate his or her knowledge or ability. Also, any examination specially designed for individuals with disabilities must be offered as often and in as timely a manner as are other examinations. Further, under this part, courses and examinations must be offered in the most integrated setting appropriate. The analysis of §35.130(d) is relevant to this determination.

A number of commenters asked that the regulation be amended to require training of law enforcement personnel to recognize the difference between criminal activity and the effects of seizures or other disabilities such as mental retardation, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, mental illness, or deafness. Several disabled commenters gave personal statements about the abuse they had received at the hands of law enforcement personnel. Two organizations that commented cited the Judiciary report at 50 as authority to require law enforcement training.

The Department has not added such a training requirement to the regulation. Discriminatory arrests and brutal treatment are already unlawful police activities. The general regulatory obligation to modify policies, practices, or procedures requires law enforcement to make changes in policies that result in discriminatory arrests or abuse of individuals with disabilities. Under this section law enforcement personnel would be required to make appropriate efforts to determine whether perceived strange or disruptive behavior or unconsciousness is the result of a disability. The Department notes that a number of States have attempted to address the problem of arresting disabled persons for noncriminal conduct resulting from their disability through adoption of the Uniform Duties to Disabled Persons Act, and encourages other jurisdictions to consider that approach.

Paragraph (a) restates the nondiscrimination mandate of section 202 of the ADA. The remaining paragraphs in §35.130 establish the general principles for analyzing whether any particular action of the public entity violates this mandate.

Paragraph (b) prohibits overt denials of equal treatment of individuals with disabilities. A public entity may not refuse to provide an individual with a disability with an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from its program simply because the person has a disability.

Paragraph (b)(1)(i) provides that it is discriminatory to deny a person with a disability the right to participate in or benefit from the aid, benefit, or service provided by a public entity. Paragraph (b)(1)(ii) provides that the aids, benefits, and services provided to persons with disabilities must be equal to those provided to others, and paragraph (b)(1)(iii) requires that the aids, benefits, or services provided to individuals with

disabilities must be as effective in affording equal opportunity to obtain the same result, to gain the same benefit, or to reach the same level of achievement as those provided to others. These paragraphs are taken from the regulations implementing section 504 and simply restate principles long established under section 504.

Paragraph (b)(1)(iv) permits the public entity to develop separate or different aids, benefits, or services when necessary to provide individuals with disabilities with an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from the public entity's programs or activities, but only when necessary to ensure that the aids, benefits, or services are as effective as those provided to others. Paragraph (b)(1)(iv) must be read in conjunction with paragraphs (b)(2), (d), and (e). Even when separate or different aids, benefits, or services would be more effective, paragraph (b)(2) provides that a qualified individual with a disability still has the right to choose to participate in the program that is not designed to accommodate individuals with disabilities. Paragraph (d) requires that a public entity administer services, programs, and activities in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of qualified individuals with disabilities.

Paragraph (b)(2) specifies that, notwithstanding the existence of separate or different programs or activities provided in accordance with this section, an individual with a disability shall not be denied the opportunity to participate in such programs or activities that are not separate or different. Paragraph (e), which is derived from section 501(d) of the Americans with Disabilities Act, states that nothing in this part shall be construed to require an individual with a disability to accept an accommodation, aid, service, opportunity, or benefit that he or she chooses not to accept.

Taken together, these provisions are intended to prohibit exclusion and segregation of individuals with disabilities and the denial of equal opportunities enjoyed by others, based on, among other things, presumptions, patronizing attitudes, fears, and stereotypes about individuals with disabilities. Consistent with these standards, public entities are required to ensure that their actions are based on facts applicable to individuals and not on presumptions as to what a class of individuals with disabilities can or cannot do.

Integration is fundamental to the purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Provision of segregated accommodations and services relegates persons with disabilities to second-class status. For example, it would be a violation of this provision to require persons with disabilities to eat in the back room of a government cafeteria or to refuse to allow a person with a disability the full use of recreation or exercise facilities because of stereotypes about the person's ability to participate.

Many commenters objected to proposed paragraphs (b)(1)(iv) and (d) as allowing continued segregation of individuals with disabilities. The Department recognizes that promoting integration of individuals with disabilities into the mainstream of society is an important objective of the ADA and agrees that, in most instances, separate programs for individuals with disabilities will not be permitted. Nevertheless, section 504 does permit separate programs in limited circumstances, and Congress clearly intended the regulations issued under title II to adopt the standards of section 504. Furthermore,

Congress included authority for separate programs in the specific requirements of title III of the Act. Section 302(b)(1)(A)(iii) of the Act provides for separate benefits in language similar to that in §35.130(b)(1)(iv), and section 302(b)(1)(B) includes the same requirement for "the most integrated setting appropriate" as in §35.130(d).

Even when separate programs are permitted, individuals with disabilities cannot be denied the opportunity to participate in programs that are not separate or different. This is an important and overarching principle of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Separate, special, or different programs that are designed to provide a benefit to persons with disabilities cannot be used to restrict the participation of persons with disabilities in general, integrated activities.

For example, a person who is blind may wish to decline participating in a special museum tour that allows persons to touch sculptures in an exhibit and instead tour the exhibit at his or her own pace with the museum's recorded tour. It is not the intent of this section to require the person who is blind to avail himself or herself of the special tour. Modified participation for persons with disabilities must be a choice, not a requirement.

In addition, it would not be a violation of this section for a public entity to offer recreational programs specially designed for children with mobility impairments. However, it would be a violation of this section if the entity then excluded these children from other recreational services for which they are qualified to participate when these services are made available to nondisabled children, or if the entity required children with disabilities to attend only designated programs.

Many commenters asked that the Department clarify a public entity's obligations within the integrated program when it offers a separate program but an individual with a disability chooses not to participate in the separate program. It is impossible to make a blanket statement as to what level of auxiliary aids or modifications would be required in the integrated program. Rather, each situation must be assessed individually. The starting point is to question whether the separate program is in fact necessary or appropriate for the individual. Assuming the separate program would be appropriate for a particular individual, the extent to which that individual must be provided with modifications in the integrated program will depend not only on what the individual needs but also on the limitations and defenses of this part. For example, it may constitute an undue burden for a public accommodation, which provides a full-time interpreter in its special guided tour for individuals with hearing impairments, to hire an additional interpreter for those individuals who choose to attend the integrated program. The Department cannot identify categorically the level of assistance or aid required in the integrated program.

Paragraph (b)(1)(v) provides that a public entity may not aid or perpetuate discrimination against a qualified individual with a disability by providing significant assistance to an agency, organization, or person that discriminates on the basis of disability in providing any aid, benefit, or service to beneficiaries of the public entity's program. This paragraph is taken from the regulations implementing section 504 for federally assisted programs.

Paragraph (b)(1)(vi) prohibits the public entity from denying a qualified individual with a disability the opportunity to participate as a member of a planning or advisory board.

Paragraph (b)(1)(vii) prohibits the public entity from limiting a qualified individual with a disability in the enjoyment of any right, privilege, advantage, or opportunity enjoyed by others receiving any aid, benefit, or service.

Paragraph (b)(3) prohibits the public entity from utilizing criteria or methods of administration that deny individuals with disabilities access to the public entity's services, programs, and activities or that perpetuate the discrimination of another public entity, if both public entities are subject to common administrative control or are agencies of the same State. The phrase "criteria or methods of administration" refers to official written policies of the public entity and to the actual practices of the public entity. This paragraph prohibits both blatantly exclusionary policies or practices and nonessential policies and practices that are neutral on their face, but deny individuals with disabilities an effective opportunity to participate. This standard is consistent with the interpretation of section 504 by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Alexander v. Choate*, 469 U.S. 287 (1985). The Court in *Choate* explained that members of Congress made numerous statements during passage of section 504 regarding eliminating architectural barriers, providing access to transportation, and eliminating discriminatory effects of job qualification procedures. The Court then noted: "These statements would ring hollow if the resulting legislation could not rectify the harms resulting from action that discriminated by effect as well as by design." *Id.* at 297 (footnote omitted).

Paragraph (b)(4) specifically applies the prohibition enunciated in §35.130(b)(3) to the process of selecting sites for construction of new facilities or selecting existing facilities to be used by the public entity. Paragraph (b)(4) does not apply to construction of additional buildings at an existing site.

Paragraph (b)(5) prohibits the public entity, in the selection of procurement contractors, from using criteria that subject qualified individuals with disabilities to discrimination on the basis of disability.

Paragraph (b)(6) prohibits the public entity from discriminating against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in the granting of licenses or certification. A person is a "qualified individual with a disability" with respect to licensing or certification if he or she can meet the essential eligibility requirements for receiving the license or certification (*see* §35.104).

A number of commenters were troubled by the phrase "essential eligibility requirements" as applied to State licensing requirements, especially those for health care professions. Because of the variety of types of programs to which the definition of "qualified individual with a disability" applies, it is not possible to use more specific language in the definition. The phrase "essential eligibility requirements," however, is taken from the definitions in the regulations implementing section 504, so caselaw under section 504 will be applicable to its interpretation. In *Southeastern Community College v. Davis*, 442

U.S. 397, for example, the Supreme Court held that section 504 does not require an institution to "lower or effect substantial modifications of standards to accommodate a handicapped person," 442 U.S. at 413, and that the school had established that the plaintiff was not "qualified" because she was not able to "serve the nursing profession in all customary ways," *id.* Whether a particular requirement is "essential" will, of course, depend on the facts of the particular case.

In addition, the public entity may not establish requirements for the programs or activities of licensees or certified entities that subject qualified individuals with disabilities to discrimination on the basis of disability. For example, the public entity must comply with this requirement when establishing safety standards for the operations of licensees. In that case the public entity must ensure that standards that it promulgates do not discriminate against the employment of qualified individuals with disabilities in an impermissible manner.

Paragraph (b)(6) does not extend the requirements of the Act or this part directly to the programs or activities of licensees or certified entities themselves. The programs or activities of licensees or certified entities are not themselves programs or activities of the public entity merely by virtue of the license or certificate.

Paragraph (b)(7) is a specific application of the requirement under the general prohibitions of discrimination that public entities make reasonable modifications in policies, practices, or procedures where necessary to avoid discrimination on the basis of disability. Section 302(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the ADA sets out this requirement specifically for public accommodations covered by title III of the Act, and the House Judiciary Committee Report directs the Attorney General to include those specific requirements in the title II regulation to the extent that they do not conflict with the regulations implementing section 504. Judiciary report at 52.

Paragraph (b)(8), a new paragraph not contained in the proposed rule, prohibits the imposition or application of eligibility criteria that screen out or tend to screen out an individual with a disability or any class of individuals with disabilities from fully and equally enjoying any service, program, or activity, unless such criteria can be shown to be necessary for the provision of the service, program, or activity being offered. This prohibition is also a specific application of the general prohibitions of discrimination and is based on section 302(b)(2)(A)(i) of the ADA. It prohibits overt denials of equal treatment of individuals with disabilities, or establishment of exclusive or segregative criteria that would bar individuals with disabilities from participation in services, benefits, or activities.

Paragraph (b)(8) also prohibits policies that unnecessarily impose requirements or burdens on individuals with disabilities that are not placed on others. For example, public entities may not require that a qualified individual with a disability be accompanied by an attendant. A public entity is not, however, required to provide attendant care, or assistance in toileting, eating, or dressing to individuals with disabilities, except in special

circumstances, such as where the individual is an inmate of a custodial or correctional institution.

In addition, paragraph (b)(8) prohibits the imposition of criteria that "tend to" screen out an individual with a disability. This concept, which is derived from current regulations under section 504 (*see, e.g.*, 45 CFR 84.13), makes it discriminatory to impose policies or criteria that, while not creating a direct bar to individuals with disabilities, indirectly prevent or limit their ability to participate. For example, requiring presentation of a driver's license as the sole means of identification for purposes of paying by check would violate this section in situations where, for example, individuals with severe vision impairments or developmental disabilities or epilepsy are ineligible to receive a driver's license and the use of an alternative means of identification, such as another photo I.D. or credit card, is feasible.

A public entity may, however, impose neutral rules and criteria that screen out, or tend to screen out, individuals with disabilities if the criteria are necessary for the safe operation of the program in question. Examples of safety qualifications that would be justifiable in appropriate circumstances would include eligibility requirements for drivers' licenses, or a requirement that all participants in a recreational rafting expedition be able to meet a necessary level of swimming proficiency. Safety requirements must be based on actual risks and not on speculation, stereotypes, or generalizations about individuals with disabilities.

Paragraph (c) provides that nothing in this part prohibits a public entity from providing benefits, services, or advantages to individuals with disabilities, or to a particular class of individuals with disabilities, beyond those required by this part. It is derived from a provision in the section 504 regulations that permits programs conducted pursuant to Federal statute or Executive order that are designed to benefit only individuals with disabilities or a given class of individuals with disabilities to be limited to those individuals with disabilities. Section 504 ensures that federally assisted programs are made available to all individuals, without regard to disabilities, unless the Federal program under which the assistance is provided is specifically limited to individuals with disabilities or a particular class of individuals with disabilities. Because coverage under this part is not limited to federally assisted programs, paragraph (c) has been revised to clarify that State and local governments may provide special benefits, beyond those required by the nondiscrimination requirements of this part, that are limited to individuals with disabilities or a particular class of individuals with disabilities, without thereby incurring additional obligations to persons without disabilities or to other classes of individuals with disabilities.

Paragraphs (d) and (e), previously referred to in the discussion of paragraph (b)(1)(iv), provide that the public entity must administer services, programs, and activities in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of qualified individuals with disabilities, *i.e.*, in a setting that enables individuals with disabilities to interact with nondisabled persons to the fullest extent possible, and that persons with disabilities must be provided the option of declining to accept a particular accommodation.

Some commenters expressed concern that §35.130(e), which states that nothing in the rule requires an individual with a disability to accept special accommodations and services provided under the ADA, could be interpreted to allow guardians of infants or older people with disabilities to refuse medical treatment for their wards. Section 35.130(e) has been revised to make it clear that paragraph (e) is inapplicable to the concern of the commenters. A new paragraph (e)(2) has been added stating that nothing in the regulation authorizes the representative or guardian of an individual with a disability to decline food, water, medical treatment, or medical services for that individual. New paragraph (e) clarifies that neither the ADA nor the regulation alters current Federal law ensuring the rights of incompetent individuals with disabilities to receive food, water, and medical treatment. *See, e.g.,* Child Abuse Amendments of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 5106a(b)(10), 5106g(10)); Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794); the Developmentally Disabled Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (42 U.S.C. 6042).

Sections 35.130(e)(1) and (2) are based on section 501(d) of the ADA. Section 501(d) was designed to clarify that nothing in the ADA requires individuals with disabilities to accept special accommodations and services for individuals with disabilities that may segregate them:

The Committee added this section [501(d)] to clarify that nothing in the ADA is intended to permit discriminatory treatment on the basis of disability, even when such treatment is rendered under the guise of providing an accommodation, service, aid or benefit to the individual with disability. For example, a blind individual may choose not to avail himself or herself of the right to go to the front of a line, even if a particular public accommodation has chosen to offer such a modification of a policy for blind individuals. Or, a blind individual may choose to decline to participate in a special museum tour that allows persons to touch sculptures in an exhibit and instead tour the exhibits at his or her own pace with the museum's recorded tour.

Judiciary report at 71-72. The Act is not to be construed to mean that an individual with disabilities must accept special accommodations and services for individuals with disabilities when that individual can participate in the regular services already offered. Because medical treatment, including treatment for particular conditions, is not a special accommodation or service for individuals with disabilities under section 501(d), neither the Act nor this part provides affirmative authority to suspend such treatment. Section 501(d) is intended to clarify that the Act is not designed to foster discrimination through mandatory acceptance of special services when other alternatives are provided; this concern does not reach to the provision of medical treatment for the disabling condition itself.

Paragraph (f) provides that a public entity may not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability, or any group of individuals with disabilities, to cover any costs of measures required to provide that individual or group with the nondiscriminatory treatment required by the Act or this part. Such measures may include the provision of auxiliary aids or of modifications required to provide program accessibility.

Several commenters asked for clarification that the costs of interpreter services may not be assessed as an element of "court costs." The Department has already recognized that imposition of the cost of courtroom interpreter services is impermissible under section 504. The preamble to the Department's section 504 regulation for its federally assisted programs states that where a court system has an obligation to provide qualified interpreters, "it has the corresponding responsibility to pay for the services of the interpreters." (45 FR 37630 (June 3, 1980)). Accordingly, recouping the costs of interpreter services by assessing them as part of court costs would also be prohibited.

Paragraph (g), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of an individual's or entity's known relationship or association with an individual with a disability, is based on sections 102(b)(4) and 302(b)(1)(E) of the ADA. This paragraph was not contained in the proposed rule. The individuals covered under this paragraph are any individuals who are discriminated against because of their known association with an individual with a disability. For example, it would be a violation of this paragraph for a local government to refuse to allow a theater company to use a school auditorium on the grounds that the company had recently performed for an audience of individuals with HIV disease.

This protection is not limited to those who have a familial relationship with the individual who has a disability. Congress considered, and rejected, amendments that would have limited the scope of this provision to specific associations and relationships. Therefore, if a public entity refuses admission to a person with cerebral palsy and his or her companions, the companions have an independent right of action under the ADA and this section.

During the legislative process, the term "entity" was added to section 302(b)(1)(E) to clarify that the scope of the provision is intended to encompass not only persons who have a known association with a person with a disability, but also entities that provide services to or are otherwise associated with such individuals. This provision was intended to ensure that entities such as health care providers, employees of social service agencies, and others who provide professional services to persons with disabilities are not subjected to discrimination because of their professional association with persons with disabilities.

§35.131 Illegal use of drugs.

Section 35.131 effectuates section 510 of the ADA, which clarifies the Act's application to people who use drugs illegally. Paragraph (a) provides that this part does not prohibit discrimination based on an individual's current illegal use of drugs.

The Act and the regulation distinguish between illegal use of drugs and the legal use of substances, whether or not those substances are "controlled substances," as defined in the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812). Some controlled substances are prescription drugs that have legitimate medical uses. Section 35.131 does not affect use of controlled substances pursuant to a valid prescription under supervision by a licensed health care professional, or other use that is authorized by the Controlled Substances Act or any other provision of Federal law. It does apply to illegal use of those substances, as well as to

illegal use of controlled substances that are not prescription drugs. The key question is whether the individual's use of the substance is illegal, not whether the substance has recognized legal uses. Alcohol is not a controlled substance, so use of alcohol is not addressed by §35.131 (although alcoholics are individuals with disabilities, subject to the protections of the statute).

A distinction is also made between the use of a substance and the status of being addicted to that substance. Addiction is a disability, and addicts are individuals with disabilities protected by the Act. The protection, however, does not extend to actions based on the illegal use of the substance. In other words, an addict cannot use the fact of his or her addiction as a defense to an action based on illegal use of drugs. This distinction is not artificial. Congress intended to deny protection to people who engage in the illegal use of drugs, whether or not they are addicted, but to provide protection to addicts so long as they are not currently using drugs.

A third distinction is the difficult one between current use and former use. The definition of "current illegal use of drugs" in §35.104, which is based on the report of the Conference Committee, H.R. Conf. Rep. No. 596, 101st Cong., 2d Sess. 64 (1990) [hereinafter "Conference report"], is "illegal use of drugs that occurred recently enough to justify a reasonable belief that a person's drug use is current or that continuing use is a real and ongoing problem."

Paragraph (b) of 201 specifies that an individual who has successfully completed a supervised drug rehabilitation program or has otherwise been rehabilitated successfully and who is not engaging in current illegal use of drugs is protected. Paragraph (c) of 201 clarifies that an individual who is currently participating in a supervised rehabilitation program and is not engaging in current illegal use of drugs is protected. Paragraph (d) of 201 provides that a person who is not engaged in current illegal use of drugs but who has been arrested or convicted of a crime involving illegal use of drugs is not protected.

Paragraph (b) provides a limited exception to the exclusion of current illegal users of drugs from the protections of the Act. It prohibits denial of health services, or services provided in connection with drug rehabilitation to an individual on the basis of current illegal use of drugs, if the individual is otherwise entitled to such services. A health care facility, such as a hospital or clinic, may not refuse treatment to an individual in need of the services it provides on the grounds that the individual is illegally using drugs, but it is not required by this section to provide services that it does not ordinarily provide. For example, a health care facility that specializes in a particular type of treatment, such as care of burn victims, is not required to provide drug rehabilitation services, but it cannot refuse to treat a individual's burns on the grounds that the individual is illegally using drugs.

Some commenters pointed out that abstinence from the use of drugs is an essential condition of participation in some drug rehabilitation programs, and may be a necessary requirement in inpatient or residential settings. The Department believes that this comment is well-founded. Congress clearly intended to prohibit exclusion from drug

treatment programs of the very individuals who need such programs because of their use of drugs, but, once an individual has been admitted to a program, abstention may be a necessary and appropriate condition to continued participation. The final rule therefore provides that a drug rehabilitation or treatment program may prohibit illegal use of drugs by individuals while they are participating in the program.

Paragraph (c) expresses Congress' intention that the Act be neutral with respect to testing for illegal use of drugs. This paragraph implements the provision in section 510(b) of the Act that allows entities "to adopt or administer reasonable policies or procedures, including but not limited to drug testing," that ensure that an individual who is participating in a supervised rehabilitation program, or who has completed such a program or otherwise been rehabilitated successfully is no longer engaging in the illegal use of drugs. The section is not to be "construed to encourage, prohibit, restrict, or authorize the conducting of testing for the illegal use of drugs."

Paragraph 35.131(c) clarifies that it is not a violation of this part to adopt or administer reasonable policies or procedures to ensure that an individual who formerly engaged in the illegal use of drugs is not currently engaging in illegal use of drugs. Any such policies or procedures must, of course, be reasonable, and must be designed to identify accurately the illegal use of drugs. This paragraph does not authorize inquiries, tests, or other procedures that would disclose use of substances that are not controlled substances or are taken under supervision by a licensed health care professional, or other uses authorized by the Controlled Substances Act or other provisions of Federal law, because such uses are not included in the definition of "illegal use of drugs." A commenter argued that the rule should permit testing for lawful use of prescription drugs, but most commenters preferred that tests must be limited to *unlawful* use in order to avoid revealing the lawful use of prescription medicine used to treat disabilities.

§35.132 Smoking.

Section 35.132 restates the clarification in section 501(b) of the Act that the Act does not preclude the prohibition of, or imposition of restrictions on, smoking in transportation covered by title II. Some commenters argued that this section is too limited in scope, and that the regulation should prohibit smoking in all facilities used by public entities. The reference to smoking in section 501, however, merely clarifies that the Act does not require public entities to accommodate smokers by permitting them to smoke in transportation facilities.

§35.133 Maintenance of accessible features.

Section 35.133 provides that a public entity shall maintain in operable working condition those features of facilities and equipment that are required to be readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities by the Act or this part. The Act requires that, to the maximum extent feasible, facilities must be accessible to, and usable by, individuals with disabilities. This section recognizes that it is not sufficient to provide features such as accessible routes, elevators, or ramps, if those features are not maintained in a manner

that enables individuals with disabilities to use them. Inoperable elevators, locked accessible doors, or "accessible" routes that are obstructed by furniture, filing cabinets, or potted plants are neither "accessible to" nor "usable by" individuals with disabilities.

Some commenters objected that this section appeared to establish an absolute requirement and suggested that language from the preamble be included in the text of the regulation. It is, of course, impossible to guarantee that mechanical devices will never fail to operate. Paragraph (b) of the final regulation provides that this section does not prohibit isolated or temporary interruptions in service or access due to maintenance or repairs. This paragraph is intended to clarify that temporary obstructions or isolated instances of mechanical failure would not be considered violations of the Act or this part. However, allowing obstructions or "out of service" equipment to persist beyond a reasonable period of time would violate this part, as would repeated mechanical failures due to improper or inadequate maintenance. Failure of the public entity to ensure that accessible routes are properly maintained and free of obstructions, or failure to arrange prompt repair of inoperable elevators or other equipment intended to provide access would also violate this part.

Other commenters requested that this section be expanded to include specific requirements for inspection and maintenance of equipment, for training staff in the proper operation of equipment, and for maintenance of specific items. The Department believes that this section properly establishes the general requirement for maintaining access and that further details are not necessary.

§35.134 Retaliation or coercion.

Section 35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. This section is unchanged from the proposed rule. Paragraph (a) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (b) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (c) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (d) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (e) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (f) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (g) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (h) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (i) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (j) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (k) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (l) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (m) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (n) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (o) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (p) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (q) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (r) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (s) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (t) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (u) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (v) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (w) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (x) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (y) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act. Paragraph (z) of §35.134 prohibits retaliation against any individual who exercises his or her rights under the Act.

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From: Ann Lillian [annlillian9@alaska.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:01 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); james.knig@alaska.gov; Rep.Kevin.Meyer@legis.state.ak.us; Rep.Mike.Chenault@legis.state.ak.us; Sen.Tom.Wagoner@legis.state.ak.us; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Swanton; Charles O (DFG)
Cc: cindysmi@acsalaska.net; akpepi@yahoo.com
Subject: FY2009 Governors Capital Budget Appropriation DF&G prop #44823 in SB256 & HB311

March 20, 2008
State of Alaska
Office of the Governor
Juneau, Alaska

Re: Lower Kasilof boat launch, FY2009 Governors Capital Budget Appropriation
Department of Fish & Game proposal #44823 in SB256 and HB311

Honorable Governor Palin:

I respectfully request that you veto the funding for this legislation which would allow the Dept. of Fish & Game to buy private property on the Kasilof River for a motorized boat ramp and parking facilities without a prior Environmental Impact Study or public testimony. I am a property owner adjacent to the Old Kasilof Landind owned by Trujillo but only recently heard about this project from my neighbors. I believe motorized fishing traffic would be detrimental to the environment of the Kasilof River and wish it to remain a drift boat fishery as I have enjoyed many times.

Every summer the boat-trailer traffic, at its current limited level, leaves trash, parks on my property, and is unpleasantly noisy—increased traffic as this proposes would be the death of a quiet, peaceful, safe neighborhood of 35 homes. As a resident of this community, I believe I have a right to express my grave concerns for the quality of life in my neighborhood and to the Kasilof River. I feel this proposal is ill advised and that increased traffic on the Kasilof River would have a detrimental impact on water quality, noise level, and to the overall peace that we now enjoy.

The Dept. of Fish & Game would better serve the public and the Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc. to use the Federal tackle tax to create a motorized boat launch, upgrade parking, and provide public sanitation at the mouth of the Kasilof River where all the other boat traffic is located and the public congregates for fishing every summer.

Last year you vetoed this project. Unfortunately, it was included in the current general appropriation bill passed by both the House and Senate. Please do not fund this proposal which would mostly benefit a few tourist and the Kenai River Sportfishing Assoc. I implore you to veto it again!

Thank you for your consideration and time.
Sincerely,
Ann-Lillian Schell
annlillian9@alaska.net
907 260-3069

10/23/2009

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From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 5:52 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); dendby.lloyd@alaska.gov; Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Fw: c.smith-re meeting with Governor
State of Alaska
The Honorable Sarah Palin
Governor, State of Alaska

Governor Palin,

I have sent the following message to my representatives with the knowledge of your upcoming meetings with our Districts. I am pleased that Representative Chenault has sent you a letter with his District's concern over this proposal and I will forward this message to all the department's that I feel are involved in this process. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
Kasilof, Alaska

----- Original Message -----

From: cindysmi@acsalaska.net
To: Rep.Mike.Chenault@legis.state.ak.us
Cc: tom.wright@legis.state.ak.us
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 9:05 AM
Subject: c.smith-re meeting with Governor

March 20, 2008

State of Alaska
Representative Mike Chenault

Re: Opposition to Fish and Game proposal #44823 in SB256

Mr. Chenault:

I am aware that Governor Palin is going to meet with three people from each District regarding capital projects. I would like to request that you express my concerns and opposition to this Fish and Game proposal, to the Governor, at this meeting.

We do not want any motorized public access boat ramp this far up the Kasilof River, at mile 3.5, at the Trujillo parcel or Foxhill Estate Subdivision, as it will bring an entirely new user group of motorized boats, that currently are not there. Also, the issue of two-stroke engines, which have been prohibited for use in the Kenai River Personal Use Fisheries, because of pollution, could bring displaced owners of these engines to the Kasilof River, which does not have these current restrictions.

Our community is concerned for the Kasilof River, in that, Fish and Game in order to get matching Federal funds for this proposal, they have to split usage, at this public boat launch, between both motorized and non-motorized craft. The issue of environmental impact, public forum, and community concerns, should not come after they have received funding to buy private property for this public boat launch, but have most of these concerns addressed before Fish and Game get funding.

10/23/2009

Again, I request that you express my opposition and concerns regarding this proposal to Governor Palin, at this meeting, as you are my District voice to the Governor. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Smith
Kasilof, Alaska

10/23/2009

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:47 PM
To: Kim; Anna C (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Constituent

Sorry- she was standing there as I was typing in her name. She's young, Native Juneau, mom of three, in Anchorage for cancer treatment, can't get help with daycare for her kids except Headstart. I said I'd see what I could do or look into. I didn't get her number though. Maybe Hannah could look her up somewhere and point her in right direction? Her daughter, Mabel, I met while visiting Gastinau School headstart class.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 22:28:24

To: "Anna Kim" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Subject: Constituent

Courtney Price met at airport... Needs help through HESS, I'll email more later.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:14 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

-----Original Message-----

From: "Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)" <colleen.sullivan.leonard@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 10:30:20

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

FYI from Dan Kennedy in Wasilla. Colleen

From: Dan Kennedy [mailto:kennedy@kennedycpas.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 10:16 AM

To: Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)

Subject: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

To: Honorable Governor Sarah Palin

Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Veto Please - Capital Budget, Palmer Arts Council of \$400,000

Dear Honorable Governor Palin:

Please consider the use of your valuable procedure to veto some of the extraordinary and superfluous projects funded by the legislature in the current supplemental capital budget.

There are a few capital budget projects that you may consider using the Governor's veto. Specifically, the \$400,000 Palmer Arts Council earmark is not necessary. In my opinion:

1. The significant amount of \$400,000 of funding for Palmer Arts Council is grossly excessive. Compare this capital budget request with the Valley Performing Arts organization in Wasilla that has never asked for governmental support and is completely self-sustaining with private funding and profitable with excellence of superior management.

2. The Palmer Arts Council is a new organization that has no proven capability. To me it appears that the liberals in Palmer wish to present more radical performances than the community theater wishes.

3. The Palmer Arts Council has received small City of Palmer grants this past year from city council member Tony Pipple, whose spouse, Mimi Pipple is president of the Palmer Arts Council. Ethically, it seems to be a conflict - just my view.

4. I suggest that the Palmer Arts Council values are not consistent with that of the Governor, nor the majority of the residents of the Mat-Su Borough.

5. I do not understand why the honorable Senator Lyda Green is in such support of the Palmer Arts Council, the very people to constantly oppose her. I have twice asked for Lyda to call me to kindly explain her support for the Palmer Arts Council. For the first time ever, Lyda is not returning my calls. I don't get it.

Other - Thanks

Congratulations on the success of AGIA and State ethics reform. We appreciate all your focus in keeping the gas line the most important task.

Thank you for considering my thoughts and thanks for all your hard work! We look forward to seeing you at the Constitutional Monument dedication on July 4th at Iditapark. Harold Newcomb and the Wasilla Sunrise Rotary Club have funded and constructed the Constitution Monument for the public.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Dan F. Kennedy - Wasilla

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 12:21 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: personnel issues

Dear governor palin. I don't think there is anything for you to do on these at this time. I will keep you posted. By the way I am in anchorage and I will be home for éaster. Talis.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Thu Mar 20 12:17:50 2008
Subject: Re: personnel issues

I did not know of either one, so thank you. Do you think there's anything I should do with either issue at this point? If so- happy to do it.

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I'm headed to Anchorage - hope you get to be home for Easter!
Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 11:33:06
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: personnel issues

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Dear Governor Palin,

There are two important personnel issues that I think you are aware of (as your office has been involved) however, in the outside chance that you have not been directly told this is a note to you.

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If you are already well aware I apologize for the redundancy. If you need more information, let me know. Talis

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 12:08 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Mary Nelson

Pls send her flowers or something from the Gov's office. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 11:35 AM
To: imapuck@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: University_of_Alaska

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2008 5:39 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: University_of_Alaska

Web mail from: Ms. Susan Shaw

address: 18012 Hillcrest Dr Eagle River AK 99577

MESSAGE:

Thank you for sending your reply letter today. You stated "my budget goals have been very clear". However, I still remember your statement (before you were elected, and here's the rub) that you would support a state of the art sports complex, said when you were at an Aces hockey game.

As far as your promoting "world class education", I guess you aren't interested in retaining students after graduating. You'd rather see them leave the state and go to Universities with better facilities.

This is NOT going away. UAA has the WORST facilities in the nation, what a shame. As Governor, you should be ashamed.

Susan Shaw

imapuck@yahoo.com

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 9:40 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Diane

I'll let Diane and Susan know. Glad they liked it! :)

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Thu Mar 20 09:35:41 2008
Subject: Diane

Pls tell Diane the bread is awesome- the lawmakers loved it. Thank you gals for doing that! And I think I get to take that noon flt to Anchorage instead of the late one, so I'll run by the hse to get some clothes before heading to airport around noon. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 8:25 AM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Perm Fund

What's my authority in telling bd members what they can and can't do re: investments (I'm sure I'll be asked about Dufar today)?

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 7:44 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Presser on budget

Governor-

We did not send out a press release but I did have several reporters follow up on your comments. I made it clear that you have not made any veto "threats" and that you are looking forward to talking with lawmakers about the capital projects.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)
Sent: Thu Mar 20 18:12:27 2008
Subject: Presser on budget

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 6:12 PM
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Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 5:28 PM
To: Sullivan-Leonard; Colleen (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

Thanks Colleen. Pls also forward to Leg Liason office and Chief of Staff. Thanks.

And if Dan really wanted to help, he'd express this publicly. Lyda's games are really wearing us down with the budget and other struggles and we can't win these battles with just internal discussions. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)" <colleen.sullivan.leonard@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 10:30:20

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

FYI from Dan Kennedy in Wasilla. Colleen

From: Dan Kennedy [mailto:kennedy@kennedycpas.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 10:16 AM

To: Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)

Subject: Governor's veto Please - Palmer Arts Council

To: Honorable Governor Sarah Palin

Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Veto Please - Capital Budget, Palmer Arts Council of \$400,000

Dear Honorable Governor Palin:

Please consider the use of your valuable procedure to veto some of the extraordinary and superfluous projects funded by the legislature in the current supplemental capital budget.

There are a few capital budget projects that you may consider using the Governor's veto. Specifically, the \$400,000 Palmer Arts Council earmark is not necessary. In my opinion:

1. The significant amount of \$400,000 of funding for Palmer Arts Council is grossly excessive. Compare this capital budget request with the Valley Performing Arts organization in Wasilla that has never asked for governmental support and is completely self-sustaining with private funding and profitable with excellence of superior management.

2. The Palmer Arts Council is a new organization that has no proven capability. To me it appears that the liberals in Palmer wish to present more radical performances than the community theater wishes.

3. The Palmer Arts Council has received small City of Palmer grants this past year from city council member Tony Pipple, whose spouse, Mimi Pipple is president of the Palmer Arts Council. Ethically, it seems to be a conflict - just my view.

4. I suggest that the Palmer Arts Council values are not consistent with that of the Governor, nor the majority of the residents of the Mat-Su Borough.

5. I do not understand why the honorable Senator Lyda Green is in such support of the Palmer Arts Council, the very people to constantly oppose her. I have twice asked for Lyda to call me to kindly explain her support for the Palmer Arts Council. For the first time ever, Lyda is not returning my calls. I don't get it.

Other - Thanks

Congratulations on the success of AGIA and State ethics reform. We appreciate all your focus in keeping the gas line the most important task.

Thank you for considering my thoughts and thanks for all your hard work! We look forward to seeing you at the Constitutional Monument dedication on July 4th at Iditapark. Harold Newcomb and the Wasilla Sunrise Rotary Club have funded and constructed the Constitution Monument for the public.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Dan F. Kennedy - Wasilla

kennedy@kennedycpas.com

907.376-1272

home is 357-8510

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 5:21 PM
To: Anders; Bruce F (DNR)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Communications

Bruce- it's my understanding that you're still waiting for the go-ahead on hiring those whom you need to work on AGIA communications, which sounds like includes Meg as a part-timer. We're still interviewing for a full-time Comm Director, so Meg coming back on board part-time can be a great complement to a needed full-time Director once that person is found. In the meantime, pls work with Mike Tibbles and/or Mike Nizich to hire the person or persons you've been needing to complete the gasline team. I assume Meg is ready to return part-time? Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:47 PM
To: 'vision_rbw@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Economic_Development

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:38 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Economic_Development

Web mail from: Ms. Brenda Wall
address: PO Box 1016 Cordova AK 99574

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

My family are commercial fishermen for six generations. Our great grandmother and her family walked the Oregon Trail and became some the first non-tribal fishermen in the Northwest. The family is still fishing today from Bristol Bay, Cordova and the Columbia River.

We are struggling to continue fishing in Bristol Bay. It is not due to lack of fish or consumers desiring the wild salmon but the grid lock on the buyers allowed into the bay to purchase our fish. Everyone is put on limits and they don't want to give us ice.

One year we are told if we catch 100,000 lbs. we MIGHT get 5 cents more per pound. Last year you had to catch 150,000 lbs to get 10 cents. This year it will be 200,000 lbs. if they feel real generous we MIGHT get another 10 cents. The average price was 67 cents per pound if you had over 100,000. THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS!

We beg you to open the bay to foreign processors with big ships that can handle the fish and watch how suddenly the price could make \$1.00 like the rest of Alaska.

And our son could continue in college so he never has to rely on this industry unless he wants too.

With fuel through the roof and the dollar worthless, hardworking fisherman should be paid at least a dollar per pound for their fish. This is a crime against the people working so hard to bring healthy food to the market.

PLEASE HELP THE FISHERMEN, NOT THE GREEDY CORPORATIONS THAT MAKE HUGE PROFITS AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PEOPLE THAT MADE THE CORPORATION A SUCCESS!

Please open the door to Bristol Bay to real competition among the processors and watch the price rise to the natural level that the market creates.

Best Regards,

The Wall Family

vision_rbw@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:45 PM
To: kristyn.brouwer@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 1:52 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kristyn Brouwer
address: 225 Cordova St. Anchorage AK 99501
907-242-5902

MESSAGE:

"The true measure of a society is how it treats its weakest and most vulnerable members."
- Mahatma Gandhi -
(As quoted by Municipality of Anchorage in a June 2007 DHHS Document)

Holy Family Cathedral Organizing Ministry

A member of AFACT -
Anchorage Faith & Action Congregations Together

Invites You to Attend:

What: Meeting to Seek Solutions for
Chronic Homelessness in Anchorage.

When: Monday, March 24, 2008
Food Provided: 6:00-7:00pm
Meeting: 7:00-8:00pm

Where: Holy Family Cathedral*
5th Ave & H St.
Anchorage, AK 99501
*Free Parking Available:
Conoco-Phillips lot (6th Ave & H St.)

Guest: Mayor Mark Begich

Contact: Holy Family Cathedral
(907) 276-3455

Holy Family Cathedral Organizing Ministry would like to extend an invitation to you as Governor of Alaska to attend. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Holy Family Cathedral at 276-3455 or Kristyn Brouwer at 242-5902. Thanks for your consideration.

kristyn.brouwer@gmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:30 PM
To: Kim; Anna C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Constituent

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 14:48:20

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Constituent

Okay we will get it taken care of.

Anna

Anna Clark Kim
Special Staff Assistant
Office of the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:47 PM

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Re: Constituent

Sorry- she was standing there as I was typing in her name. She's young, Native Juneau, mom of three, in Anchorage for cancer treatment, can't get help with daycare for her kids except Headstart. I said I'd see what

I could do or look into. I didn't get her number though. Maybe Hannah could look her up somewhere and point her in right direction? Her daughter, Mabel, I met while visiting Gastinau School headstart class.
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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 22:28:24

To: "Anna Kim" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Subject: Constituent

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Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Constituent

I don't have the gal's number, but wonder if you and/or Hannah or someone could look her up and offer to point her in the right direction. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Anna Kim
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Mar 20, 2008 2:30 PM
Subject: RE: Constituent

Okay. Keep me posted or she can contact me direct 465-4280 or
anna.kim@alaska.gov.

By the way, Dr. Stinson will be in Juneau Tues March 25 to continue his
work advocating for your health care transparency act and wondering if
you could meet with him briefly in the afternoon.

Thanks, Anna

Anna Clark Kim
Special Staff Assistant
Office of the Governor

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:04 PM
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Cc: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Corrections

When are we going to start countering the bs that is out there about our budget? For instance Dan Fagan's insistance that we hired 1000 new state employees, his insistance that Doogan crunched numbers to show this is a 27-percent increase in state budget, that we're intiminating lawmakers to come into our office, etc etc etc. ??? His show is pathetic, the lies he's spewing. This is the first I've heard his show in, forever, and can not believe this is the stuff he believes and is telling Alaskans? Unless we at least factually counter SOME of his lies, Alaskans will believe his rhetoric... again, if there's no truthful information to correct him, what information do they have to go on?

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From: Privratsky, Ken [kprivratsky@HorizonLines.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:40 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
Subject: Port of Anchorage

Dear Governor Palin,

Attached is a letter that I am mailing to you and legislators concerning funding for the Port of Anchorage. Please support this vital project.

Very respectfully,

Ken Privratsky
Senior Vice President
Horizon Lines

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:09 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: energy rebate

True- absolutely agree with that principle and goal bc it's Alaskans' money. But let me ask the others whats evolved in budget since early rebate discussions.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 15:01:43

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: energy rebate

Governor-

Wesley Loy is asking if you support the idea of energy rebates. I seem to recall at a press availability several weeks ago you said you favor putting money back in the pockets of Alaskans - or words to that effect. Am I way off?

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:04 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Owen Appeal and Atty. Ralph Cashen

We're on the same page here. Thanks for the head's up!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 14:20:14

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Subject: Owen Appeal and Atty. Ralph Cashen

Dear Governor Palin and Randy,

There is an attorney named Ralph Cashen who is trying to contact various people about his client former Nome Police officer Owen who was convicted of murder. He is appealing the conviction and is trying to re-open the investigation. He called me and wants to get me to have the troopers reopen the case because he has a "firm belief" of his client's innocence and believes the Governor would agree with him. He asked for my support to push for a new investigation and absent that my "permission" to talk to the Governor. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted. He is being told by my staff that I will not attempt to intervene in the case and that I cannot prevent him from talking to anyone including the Governor. So, he may call the Governor. He might imply he has my permission to do so because I have not attempted to stop him. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:02 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Rosanne

Sounds good. Mike, she's traveling to Juneau.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 14:25:24

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Rosanne

Governor -

Flights were booked Monday morning, so I have arranged for Rosanne to fly to JNU Tuesday morning. Will let Janice know and get it on the schedule.

Kris

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:01 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: for your approval

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 22:59:26

To: "Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: for your approval

Looks good thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 2008 14:56:39

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: for your approval

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No. 08-0XX

Governor Announces Second Best Year for Exports

Alaska's 2007 Exports at \$3.9 Billion

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Overall 2007 exports are down 3.8 percent from 2006's record-high \$4 billion because of offsets in the export market. For example, zinc and gold exports rose significantly in 2007, while the value of Cook Inlet gas supply exports decreased and affected the value-added exports of liquefied natural gas and fertilizer.

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Both exports and foreign direct investment have been important to Alaska for more than six decades. Companies headquartered in Japan, Canada and Europe have invested significantly in the state's natural resources.

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 10:58 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Draft for Prayer Breakfast

I've also put a hard copy of this draft with some bio information and the program in a folder for you.

Beth

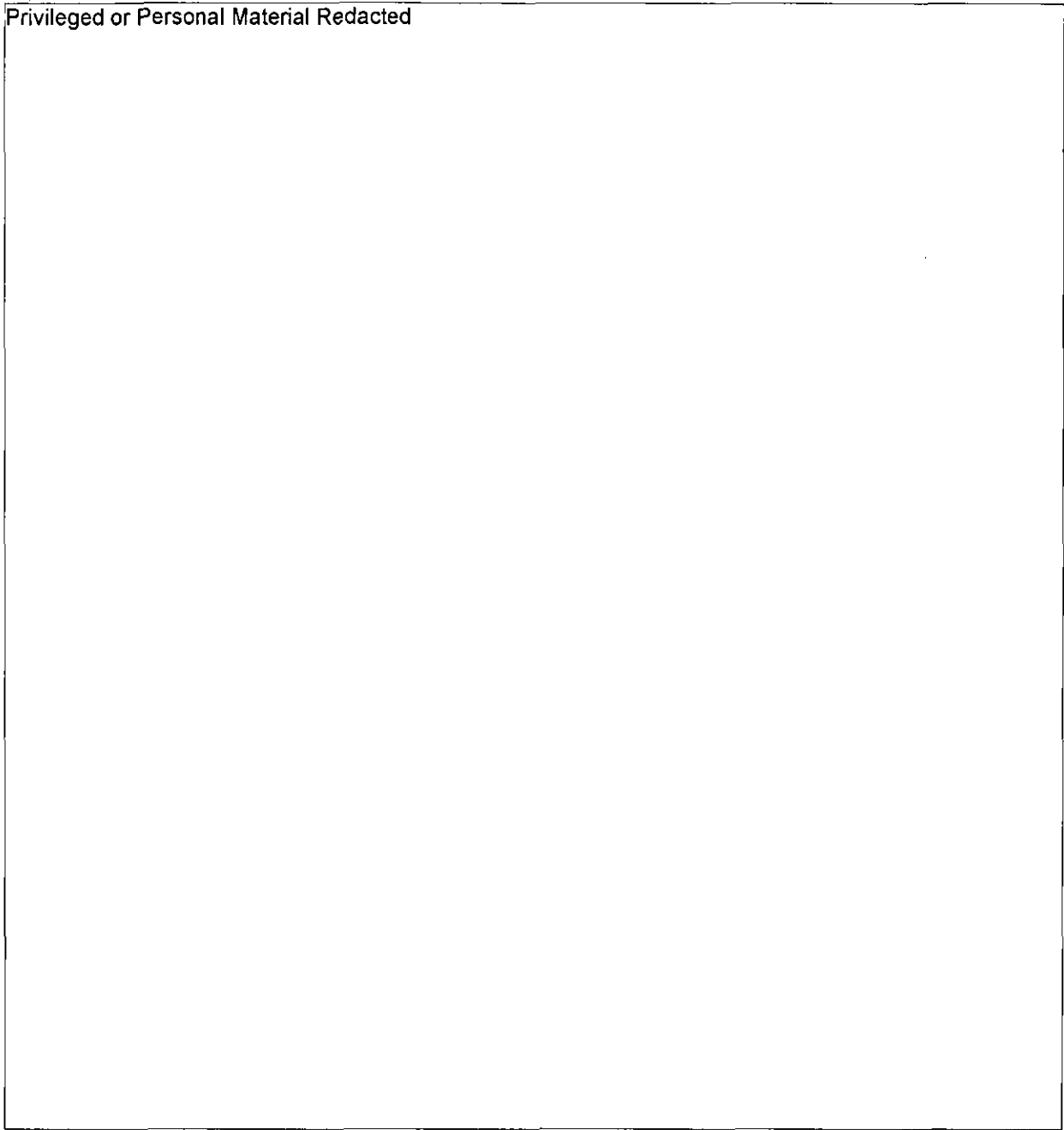
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Governor's Prayer Breakfast
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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 4:48 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Fran Ulmer UAA Champions

Governor,

Fran Ulmer called me; the UAA Men's and Women's Basketball Teams are NCAA Div II Western Region Champs. The men are flying out to Massachusetts and the women to Nebraska. She would like to invite you to attend the women's games in Nebraska. First game is March 26th and – if they make it – the final will be Saturday the 29th.

She realizes it is short notice and the timing is bad, but she wanted to extend a personal invitation to you.

We'll plan on doing a letter for both teams.

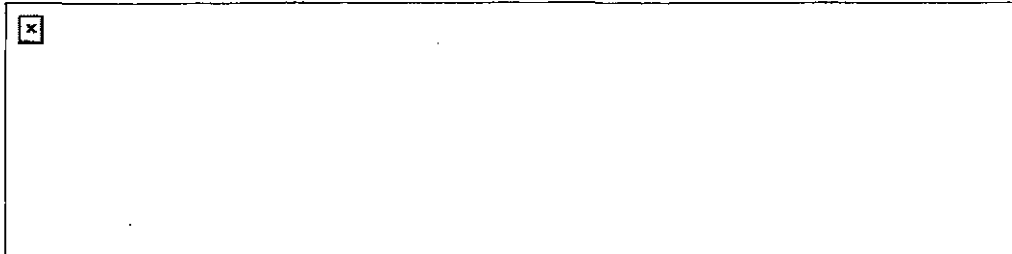
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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:57 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: for your approval



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Governor Announces Second Best Year for Exports
Alaska's 2007 Exports at \$3.9 Billion

March 20, 2008, Juneau, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin today announced that the value of Alaska's exports for 2007 reached \$3.9 billion, the second best year for exports.

"This is great news for Alaska, and I commend all of the Alaskans whose hard work benefits our state and its trade and foreign investment," Governor Palin said. "I thank all Alaskans working in the international arena, including the visitor industry, the state's international ports and airports, the schools and technical service companies."

Overall 2007 exports are down 3.8 percent from 2006's record-high \$4 billion because of offsets in the export market. For example, zinc and gold exports rose significantly in 2007, while the value of Cook Inlet gas supply exports decreased and affected the value-added exports of liquefied natural gas and fertilizer.

"We are competing in domestic and international markets," Governor Palin said, "and let's remember we prepare best for that competition through a strong educational system and workforce development."

Both exports and foreign direct investment have been important to Alaska for more than six decades. Companies headquartered in Japan, Canada and Europe have invested significantly in the state's natural resources.

High world market prices increased the value of Alaska's zinc and lead ore exports by 8.5 percent to \$1.2 billion in 2007, another record for the state. High zinc prices have more than doubled the value of Alaska's ore exports in the past three years and made it the state's second largest export in value after seafood. Alaska accounts for more than three-fourths of all U.S. zinc production. Red Dog Mine, in northwest Alaska, is the world's largest zinc mine. Canada was Alaska's largest ore market in 2007 followed by Korea, China, Japan, Spain, Finland, Belgium, Germany, and Italy.

The value of Alaska's 2007 energy exports - primarily jet fuel, LNG, and coal - decreased 10.6 percent to \$232 million. The value of refined petroleum products - mostly jet fuel - rose 41

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percent to \$131 million. Jet fuel was exported to China, Canada, Taiwan and Korea. Alaska's LNG exports to Japan were \$94 million in 2007, down 39.7 percent. Governor Palin announced an agreement on January 3, 2008, between the State of Alaska and oil industry officials that will help ensure energy supplies and security for Alaska while supporting the requested two-year extension of the federal export license for the LNG plant on the Kenai Peninsula.

The value of Alaska's 2007 coal export was close to \$5 million, and the coal was exported to Chile. This is the third year for coal exports to Chile.

The higher price of gold in 2007 and an increase in export volume resulted in a 20.3 percent increase to \$132 million for Alaska's 2007 export of precious metals. Switzerland is the major market for Alaska's gold exports.

Constraints on Cook Inlet natural gas availability led to the closure of Agrium's major fertilizer plant in Kenai in December 2007. Before the closure, the plant exported \$92 million worth of fertilizer in 2007 to Korea, Mexico, and Chile.

In 2007, the value of Alaska's annual seafood exports was the second highest ever at \$1.98 billion, a 1.9 percent decrease from the previous year. Alaska seafood exports to Japan, still the state's largest seafood export market, decreased 18.9 percent to \$588 million, while exports to China increased 27.1 percent to \$411 million. Exports to Korea decreased 14 percent to \$306 million. The ratio of total value to total volume for seafood exports increased in 2007 over 2006.

The relatively large increase in seafood export to China is due to the country's growing role in reprocessing for re-export. Alaska seafood is also available in the retail market in more than a dozen cities in China. The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute has marketing representatives based in Japan, China and the European Union – all markets that have generated significant increases in the state's seafood exports in the past decade. Since the beginning of the decade, the value of the state's seafood exports has nearly doubled. Improvements in processing technology and quality assurance, an increase in the number of product forms, and strong promotional efforts by the State of Alaska have increased the value of the harvest.

"We are continuing to push hard both at home and in international markets so we can receive the highest possible value for our great fish," Governor Palin said. "We are educating key markets about our strong commitment to managing fisheries well and to producing the best seafood possible. As our state's constitution dictates, we are committed to sustainability of our precious fisheries."

The state's 2007 seafood exports to Europe accounted for nearly one quarter of the value of Alaska's seafood exports. Ten years ago, European markets accounted for less than 6 percent. The increased demand in Europe for Alaska seafood is linked to the value those markets place on healthy eating, food traceability, sustainability of fisheries and the strength of the Euro.

The value of Alaska's 2007 export of forest products was \$86 million, down 23.1 percent. The majority of exports are to Japan, Korea, and China. The decline in Alaska's forest products exports reflects the fact that resources on most privately held lands are reaching the end of their first rotation. Additionally, changes in management direction of national forest lands have reduced available inventory at the same time that competition in world markets for some segments of the forest products industry is strong.

The source of the Alaska export numbers is the U.S. Census Bureau. The numbers do not reflect Alaska resources first transported to and warehoused in other U.S. states before export. For more information, contact trade specialist Patricia Eckert at (907) 269-7450.

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Attachments:

Alaska's Total Export 1996-2007 bar chart

Alaska's Exports by Country 2005-2007 list

Alaska's Exports by Commodity 2007 pie charts

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:02 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: energy rebate

Governor-

Wesley Loy is asking if you support the idea of energy rebates. I seem to recall at a press availability several weeks ago you said you favor putting money back in the pockets of Alaskans - or words to that effect. Am I way off?

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:20 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Owen Appeal and Atty. Ralph Cashen

Dear Governor Palin and Randy,

There is an attorney named Ralph Cashen who is trying to contact various people about his client former Nome Police officer Owen who was convicted of murder. He is appealing the conviction and is trying to re-open the investigation. He called me and wants to get me to have the troopers reopen the case because he has a "firm belief" of his client's innocence and believes the Governor would agree with him. He asked for my support to push for a new investigation and absent that my "permission" to talk to the Governor. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted. He is being told by my staff that I will not attempt to intervene in the case and that I cannot prevent him from talking to anyone including the Governor. So, he may call the Governor. He might imply he has my permission to do so because I have not attempted to stop him. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted. Privileged or Person Talis

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 9:17 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: 10 minutes with intern

Governor-

Genevieve with Rep. Holmes is working on a term paper and has requested a 10 minute interview with you. She would like to ask you about relations with the legislature. Perfect timing eh? May I schedule this?

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 3:48 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Call from Constituent...

Tell the Governor she did a kick-*\$% job on Fagan. He said that and then just hung up. ☺

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MANIZICH]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 12:58 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: security

Governor,

I will let you know when my meeting's with the Security Staff has been completed. I plan on meeting with each of them separately to discuss our plan going forward probably beginning of next week and to address any questions or concerns they may have about personnel processing, timing of separation, etc.

Mike

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 9:09 AM

To: Sarah Palin

Subject: Scheduling Request - Tuesday, 03.25.08

Governor –

You had agreed to a speech to the Southeast Conference (SEC) Mid-Season Summit here in Juneau. They just called this morning and said if the Tuesday, 03.25.08 – 8:00 a.m. would not work that they also have open Wednesday, 03.26.08 at noon.

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 2:25 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Rosanne

Governor --

Flights were booked Monday morning, so I have arranged for Rosanne to fly to JNU Tuesday morning. Will let Janice know and get it on the schedule.

Kris

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 5:04 PM
To: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Women in Alaska Documentary

Don't know if I'll be in Juneau on Friday evening still. My understanding is Foresters had a couple of times offered for me to greet them. Also, Janice- pls scoot up Larry Stinson's stop-by mtg to earlier in the day instead of 4:30... I spoke with him at lunch today.

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From: "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 16:36:51

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, govpalin@alaska.gov

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: Women in Alaska Documentary

Janice and I had a short conference call this afternoon with Elan Frank, whom you met in LA. I wanted to touch base and make sure that you are still onboard with this commitment.

Elan will travel to Juneau next week to begin filming his "Women of Alaska" pilot.

He would like to interview you for about 45 minutes (Janice will schedule) and then shoot footage of you during some activities on Thursday, March 27 and Friday, March 28, whatever is NOT private.

What we had discussed in his office was some footage of you in meetings and also some footage of you with your family.

He will also video during your Friday evening welcome at the AK Association of Foresters.

Beth

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 4:36 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: AWIB - Aviation Boards

Yes,

Jack's on board. Wanted you to know he was already serving, otherwise we would've looked to place him before some of the others.

Thank you!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Bailey, Frank T (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Fri Mar 21 16:34:33 2008
Subject: Re: AWIB - Aviation Boards

Looks good. I assume Jack Barber stays on bd? These are good. Thanks
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From: "Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 16:18:49
To: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp
<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: AWIB - Aviation Boards

Yes...all of the AWIB names. Sorry if that wasn't clear. I worked closely with Click, Paula, and then with Greg Cashen on Click's request last night/this morning. They are the appointments they want, and their background checks come in clean.

From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 4:17 PM

To: Bailey, Frank T (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Subject: RE: AWIB - Aviation Boards

Has Commissioner Bishop weighed in on any of the names?

From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV)

Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 4:13 PM

To: ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: AWIB - Aviation Boards

Governor,

I'd like to recommend the following folks for appointment/reappointment to the Workforce Investment Board and the Aviation Advisory Board.

AWIB

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Governor's Aviation Advisory Board (Jack Barber currently sits on this board)

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The Board has been fairly inactive, but Christine's working to re-engage and energize it.

Frank Bailey

Director, Boards and Commissions

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 3:56 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV)
Subject: Re: likely ear items

Thanks! And I sure wish Sheila would put her talents to better use than gossip.

Statement from DY to Sandy is true, Sean told me. Ramras- true. AGIA the spaz- true. And it seemed like Fagan had a crush on Reagan when she first got here based on his gushing early on.

Btw- thanks for doing those KTUU sound bites last night- you looked/sounded great.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 15:50:22

To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>, Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: likely ear items

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What Don Young said to Sandy Parnell at Republican Convention

Jay Ramras' potty mouth

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Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 3:51 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: likely ear items

Nice!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 3:47 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: With changes

Thanks so much!

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Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 15:13:08

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: With changes

Governor Palin Reaffirms Budget Commitment

March 21, 2008, Juneau, Alaska - With just over three weeks left in the legislative session, Governor Sarah Palin today renewed her commitment to work with members of the legislature on responsible operating and capital budgets. In an effort to keep the public informed, Governor Palin has answered questions that have been at the center of the budget debate.

How do you feel about the changes proposed by House and Senate to your operating budget?

I am pleased that the House, Senate and Administration all agree that we must control the growth of government spending. As we developed our budget, we took a hard look at all areas of government spending to change the direction of the large increases in previous years. Our approach in working with the Legislature has been to welcome additional ideas of how the State can be more efficient in serving Alaskans. By the end of session, I am confident that we will be able to say the Administration and Legislature both contributed to help achieve that

common goal of controlling government spending.

Have you really added more than 1,000 new positions in your budget this year?

When we released our budget to the public and the Legislature on Dec. 10, we included a "true up" of existing state positions that had not been accounted for in previous administrations. We felt it was important to tell Alaskans the real number of state positions and not continue the practice of holding a large number of positions off the books. Our "true up" included more than 800 positions that already existed but were not reflected in the budget.

Various sources have suggested that your budget proposes to increase spending anywhere from 11 percent to 27 percent. Is this accurate? When we released our budget on Dec. 10 we calculated our General Fund increase in government spending for operating, capital and supplemental budgets at 4 percent. Our budget includes all categories. We included items that we knew would require supplemental funding to reflect a more accurate comparison between the current year and next year's spending. In addition, we clearly reflected the amount of the oil tax credits but did not include the funds as agency spending. When determining the spending increase from year to year, Alaskans need to look at what is included or not included in the number.

What is your approach on the supplemental budget?

I have been consistent in that I do not believe the supplemental budget is the appropriate vehicle to build a capital budget. It is appropriate for operating or capital items to receive early or supplemental funding only due to extraordinary or unforeseen circumstances. Projects that do not meet this description should be included in a comprehensive capital budget.

The deadline for reviewing the supplemental budget (SB 256) is April 5, just 8 days prior to the end of session. During this time, I plan on frequent discussions with legislative leaders to work out a plan for total savings and an acceptable level of spending. I have also committed to meet with every legislator in an effort to improve communication, work in cooperation and learn about items important to their individual districts. A final decision regarding the supplemental budget will be made once we have had a chance to meet with legislators about their projects.

What is your intention for the school funding bill?

I intend to sign the bill. My goal has always been to provide multi-year funding in a level sufficient to provide predictability and stability to Alaska school districts. Certain legislators felt our adjustment to the base student allocation (BSA) was too high and that districts could manage with an increase of \$100 BSA. We have been hearing recently from school districts that the amount appropriated to date is not sufficient. I also understand that legislators may provide some additional funds in FY2009 to help ensure the rising costs of labor and energy do not divert money from the classroom.

Given the revised revenue forecast increasing the amount of surplus available, have you changed your savings plan?

We are blessed to have significant budget surplus in the current year and projected for next year. The opportunity to put even more in savings than we anticipated in December is something all Alaskans support. That is why it is even more important to work with the Legislature on an overall spending plan for operating and capital budgets so that we can slow the growth of government, meet the needs of Alaskans and save for the future. Our goal is to save as much as possible in FY2008 and FY2009.

For more information about the Governor's Budget, please go to this
Office of Management and Budget link.

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(GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Re: press release

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To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Kelly, Russell
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<karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
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Subject: Operating budget

What are the positions that leggies cut in operations, besides DPS and oil/gas? Pls advocate for those positions, but I can't imagine why we'd push for more new state employees outside those two areas, unless I'm missing something. AP reported we're asking them to restore 148 new positions? Outside the two areas, I don't support increasing what they cut.

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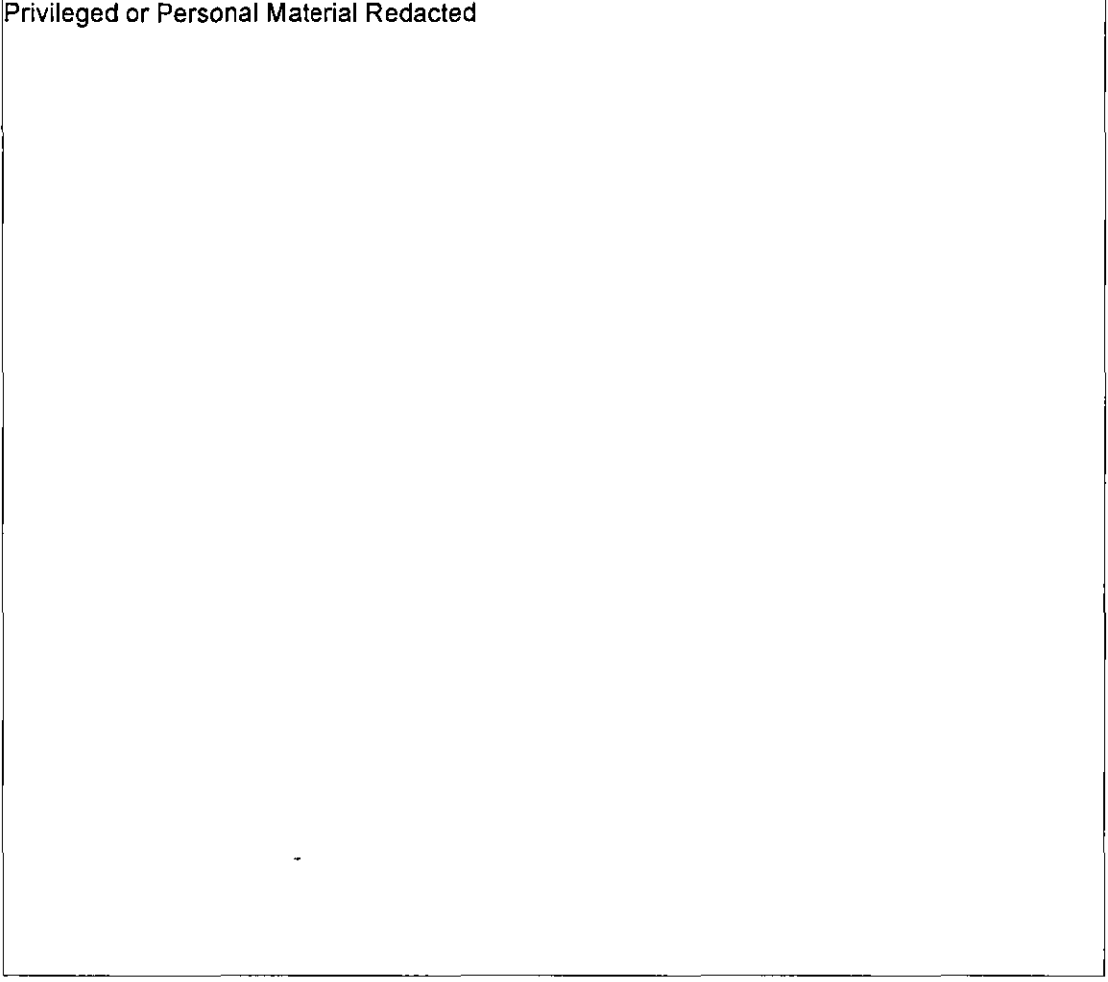
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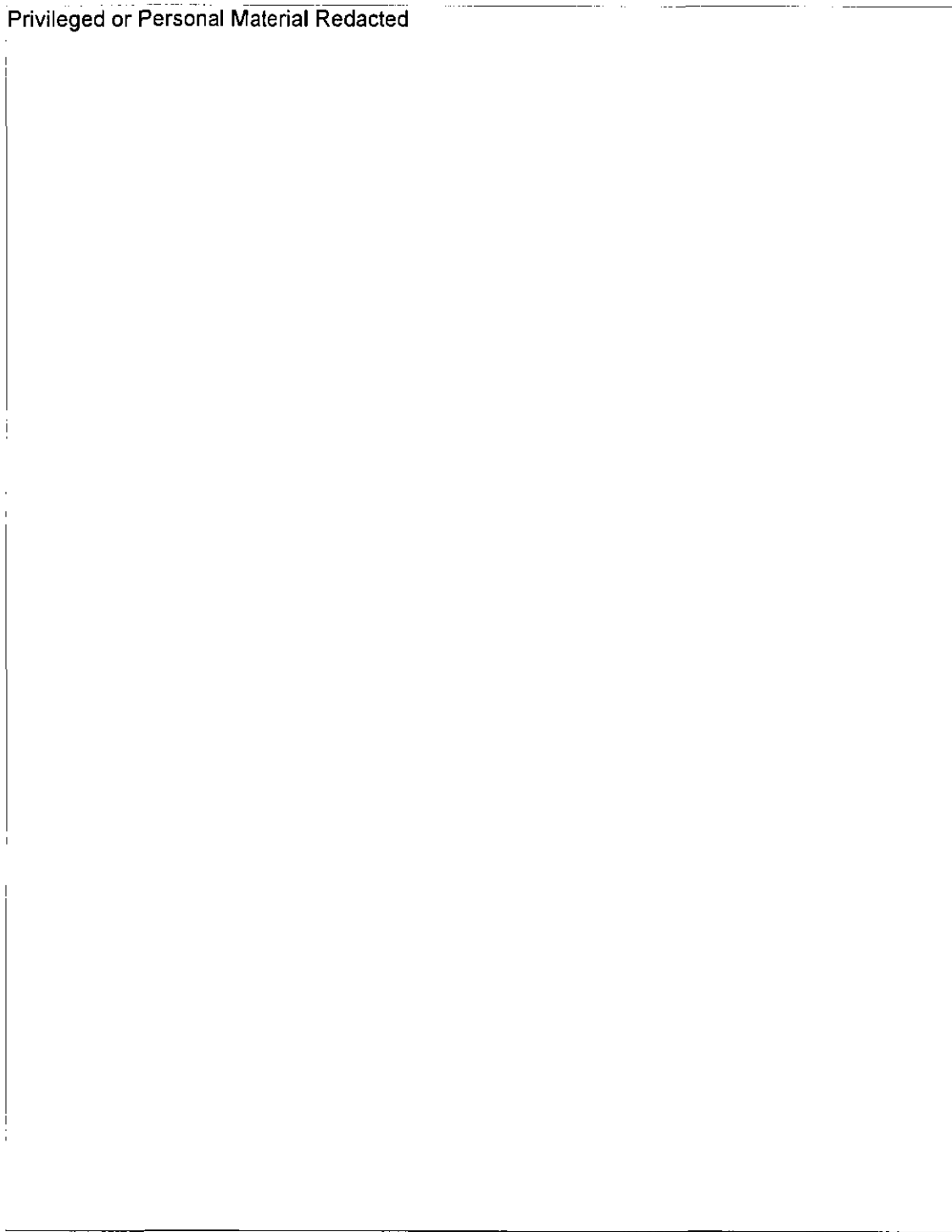
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 2:49 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Well? :)

I think she sounded awesome and I'm anxious for her to see Juneau to see if she'd still like to be a part of this- I think she'd need to be in Juneau for participation in some of the session. She seemed great!

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 14:31:23

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Well? :)

What did you think?

Also, we're only going to give Graham the mask. We'll save the book for someone else. Too much otherwise.

Kris

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2008 1:17 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Mat-Su Miners

Wow! See?!?!

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 2008 09:56:58

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: Mat-Su Miners

I spoke to Marty Metiva who is the President of the Board for Mat-Su Miners. He told me that they - the Board of Directors - do not support the \$200k request that is in the supplemental budget. He wrote a letter to that effect to Senator Green last night. I expect a copy. He said that certainly they would appreciate funding but \$200k is exorbitant; \$50k would be more in-line. He further stated that the board unanimously voted on this and any request to the contrary wasn't authorized. His comment, which I appreciated, is they only touch about 4,000 people which isn't worth \$200k...

Kris